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Kowloon	Dep.	6.40	8.05	8.30	9.10	10.00	12.00	1.15	2.35	3.00	4.30	5.45	7.30	8.45	9.10	10.00	12.00	1.15	2.35	3.00	4.30	5.45	7.30	8.45
Yau Ma Tei	Dep.	6.48	8.13	8.38	9.18	10.08	12.08	1.23	2.43	3.08	4.38	5.53	7.38	8.53	9.18	10.08	12.08	1.23	2.43	3.08	4.38	5.53	7.38	8.53
Shatin	Dep.	7.01	8.26	8.51	9.31	10.21	12.21	1.36	2.56	3.21	4.51	6.06	7.41	8.56	9.21	10.11	12.11	1.36	2.56	3.21	4.51	6.06	7.41	8.56
Tai Po	Dep.	7.15	8.40	9.05	9.45	10.35	12.35	1.50	3.10	3.35	5.05	6.20	7.55	9.10	9.35	10.25	12.25	1.50	3.10	3.35	5.05	6.20	7.55	9.10
Tai Po Market	Dep.	7.30	8.55	9.20	10.00	10.50	12.50	2.05	3.25	3.50	5.20	6.35	8.00	9.15	9.40	10.30	12.30	2.05	3.25	3.50	5.20	6.35	8.00	9.15
Fanning	Dep.	7.30	8.55	9.20	10.00	10.50	12.50	2.05	3.25	3.50	5.20	6.35	8.00	9.15	9.40	10.30	12.30	2.05	3.25	3.50	5.20	6.35	8.00	9.15
Shamshui	Dep.	7.35	9.00	9.25	10.05	10.55	12.55	2.10	3.30	3.55	5.25	6.40	8.10	9.25	9.50	10.40	12.40	2.10	3.30	3.55	5.25	6.40	8.10	9.25
Shamshui	Dep.	7.45	9.10	9.35	10.15	11.05	13.05	2.20	3.40	4.05	5.35	6.50	8.20	9.35	10.00	10.50	12.50	2.20	3.40	4.05	5.35	6.50	8.20	9.35
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Shamshui	Dep.	7.35	8.22	8.47	11.12	11.45	12.15	1.45	2.15	2.45	3.15	3.45	4.15	4.45	5.15	5.45	6.15	6.45	7.15	7.45	8.15	8.45	9.15	9.45
Fanning	Dep.	7.50	8.37	8.62	11.17	11.50	12.20	1.50	2.20	2.50	3.20	3.50	4.20	4.50	5.20	5.50	6.20	6.50	7.20	7.50	8.20	8.50	9.20	9.50
Tai Po	Dep.	8.05	8.52	9.17	11.22	11.55	12.25	1.55	2.25	2.55	3.25	3.55	4.25	4.55	5.25	5.55	6.25	6.55	7.25	7.55	8.25	8.55	9.25	9.55
Shatin	Dep.	8.15	9.02	9.27	11.32	12.05	12.35	2.05	2.35	3.05	3.35	4.05	4.35	5.05	5.35	6.05	6.35	7.05	7.35	8.05	8.35	9.05	9.35	10.05
Yau Ma Tei	Dep.	8.30	9.17	9.42	11.47	12.20	12.50	2.20	2.50	3.20	3.50	4.20	4.50	5.20	5.50	6.20	6.50	7.20	7.50	8.20	8.50	9.20	9.50	10.20
Kowloon	Arr.	8.45	9.32	9.57	12.02	12.35	13.05	2.35	3.05	3.35	4.05	4.35	5.05	5.35	6.05	6.35	7.05	7.35	8.05	8.35	9.05	9.35	10.05	10.35

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#### THE SILENT FORD.

##### SAVOY DINNER IN HIS HONOUR.

#### THE SHORTEST SPEECH ON RECORD.

#### "SMOKING ROTS THE CELLS OF THE BRAIN."

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, April 14th.

Mr. Henry Ford, of motor car fame, is here on a visit to England after an absence of 16 years. At first he refused to be interviewed, and then announced that he would be prepared to see Press representatives in a body at a given time. He evidently believes in mass production of interviews as well as in mass production of motors. One of his principal objects in coming from America is to arrange for a new Ford factory at Dagenham, which is a district on the Essex flats on the north bank of the Thames near London.

A couple of nights ago he was entertained to dinner at the Savoy Hotel by the American Society in London. It was a remarkable gathering in many respects, and chiefly because Mr. Ford added to his other achievements that of making one of the shortest speeches on record. He occupied the place of honour, sat in the middle of the table, and with something of the air of a University professor attending student revels, and he sat through the evening listening with complete detachment to the speeches made in his praise.

He heard from the American Ambassador of his "combination of idealism with hard practical sense," and Mr. Powell, of the American Chamber of Commerce expressed the hope that he would tell the company all about the next Ford car. But Mr. Ford said nothing about anything, not even in response to eulogies of his greatness by the Lord Mayor of London.

The Speech.  
After all the eloquence, Mr. Ford, who had been drinking iced water and smoking nothing—he said at the interview previously mentioned that drinking and smoking rots the cells of the brain—got up and spoke as follows:—"I want to say that Mrs. Ford and I are highly honoured to be present on this occasion to meet so many distinguished representatives of two great nations. I thank you." Then he sat down, and there was complete silence for a time while the guests recovered from their surprise.

Apart from the fact that Mr. Ford made no speech at this gathering held in his honour, it was curious to note that there were scarcely any Ford stories. Sir Harry Brittain contributed the only one apropos of the Ford car universally known as "Tin Lizzie." It was about Mr. Ford himself helping a driver to mend a broken-down car and being offered a dollar and a half, which he refused, saying that he had plenty of money. "Then," said the driver, "why in Heaven's name do you drive a Ford car?" Sir Harry also told the company that the latest word from America about the new Ford production was a song which begins, "Henry Ford has made a lady of Lizzie at last."

#### The Royal Academy.

There have been busy scenes this week at the Royal Academy for members have been sending in their works for the forthcoming exhibition. The outsiders have already submitted their pictures, and the Council have been engaged in the task of selecting, and rejecting them. The censorship is more severe than formerly, as is proved by the fact that only half the number of pictures by new artists are hung compared with other years. The Academicians, however, still enjoy the privilege of a quota and never fail to take advantage of it. Among the portraits that will be on view will be one of the King by Sir Arthur Cope, who painted an official portrait of the late King Edward. The Hanging Committee always welcome a portrait of the Sovereign because it enables them to fill the place of honour in the big gallery. There will also be a portrait of Princess Mary by Mr. Richard Jack; and another interesting exhibit will be a portrait of Dame Madge Kendal by Sir William Orpen that is afterwards to be sent to the National Gallery.

(Continued on next column.)

### THE WITCH.

#### STORY OF \$200 PAID FOR CRYSTAL FORTUNE.

Jane Buckley, aged 28, married, of Occupation-road, Redere, near Dartford, and Mary Hilding, 33, married, of East-street, Redere, were charged at Southwark with conspiring to obtain money by false pretences.

Mrs. Mabel Dixon, a widow, of Broxholme-road, West Norwood, S.E., said that last September Buckley called at her draper's shop in Denmark-hill and suggested a crystal reading. Buckley said she was to marry a rich man and would go across the water. Her business would be sold at a great profit and all her children were to marry well. She was to live to be 91.

Buckley then asked her for \$200, saying that this crystal was a most valuable one, as it really were supposed to have had their fortunes told by it, and she paid the money. The woman called on her repeatedly, and she paid in all \$200.

Buckley also said her mistress, "The Witch," had been working the stars, the clouds, and the planets on her behalf. "The Witch" in a letter said she had gone to a lot of trouble to keep a certain man out of Mrs. Dixon's life.

A remand was ordered and bail granted.

### SIXTEEN IN SMALL CELL.

#### SOVIET TREATMENT OF GERMAN PRISONERS.

BERLIN.

The secretary of the German Embassy at Moscow has at last been allowed to see the three German engineers imprisoned by the OGPU at Rostoff, and to talk to them for ten minutes in the presence of three OGPU officials.

The prisoners said that on March 16th they were transferred from the crowded cell in which they had been put and now had no complaint to make about the arrangements.

Herr Meier complained that he was previously kept in a small room with 15 other persons, and stated that the day after his examination by the OGPU authorities he had a stroke which has deprived him of the use of his left arm. He is 52, and says that he had never had a day's illness before, but that now he feels so exhausted that he lies down all day.

The secretary was promised that Meier should be examined by a doctor and placed in hospital. The date of the trial has not been settled.

Six Germans—among many other persons—were arrested on charges of plotting the destruction of coal mines in the Don basin, but three have been released.

#### A Popular Ambassador.

Baron Matsui, who left London this week for Japan on the completion of his term of office as Ambassador to the Court of St. James, has left pleasant memories behind him. The parties that were given at the Embassy were very popular. The Baroness had a Japanese chef, and on occasion she used to surprise her friends by entertaining them to meals in the Japanese style. It is no secret that they are very fond of this country, and much regret the severance of many warm friendships.

The London Embassy is the most coveted post in the Japanese Diplomatic service, and it has often been the introduction to high office in the Japanese Government on the return of the retiring diplomat to Tokyo. It may well be that such distinction is in store for Baron Matsui, who is only 59. Anyway, he leaves for his own country with the good-will of a large circle in England.

#### China Again In The News.

There is general disappointment that according to the news from China this week the war lords are on the move again. But it is received with a certain amount of philosophy. It is regarded as inevitable until some man or party is strong enough to end the chaos. It is indeed, that he at all possible in a country of the size of China. The continuance of the troubles is bad for Lancashire where the loss of trade with China spells unemployment for the workers and a heavy drain on capital. There are, of course, other interests besides cotton which are seriously affected, and exporters can only read the newspaper headings, "Civil War Again in China" with a very dry smile.—H.B.

### DIARY OF EVENTS.

#### To-day.

(May 15th.)

Rogation Day.  
Sanitary Board meeting, 4.15 p.m.  
Peak Church Annual Meeting in the Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m.  
Chinese Y.M.C.A. Distribution of Baseball prizes, 4 p.m.  
St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club Ping Pong Tournament, 8.30 p.m.  
Queen's Theatre: "The Missing Link."  
World Theatre: "Footloose Widows."  
Star Theatre: "The Lighthouse by the Sea."  
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.  
Principal Mails:—Inward: Europe via Siberia (Patroclus). Outward: Europe via Victoria, B.C., and Europe via Siberia (Patroclus), 5 p.m.

#### Wednesday.

(May 16th.)

Rogation Day.  
Property Sale: China Auction Rooms, 3 p.m.  
Chinese Estates, Limited, 5th ordinary yearly meeting, noon.  
Queen's Theatre: "Sorrel and Son."  
World Theatre: "Footloose Widows" at 6.15 and 9.30, at 2.30 and 7.15, "Lock Young Bridge."  
Star Theatre: "The Lighthouse by the Sea."  
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.  
Principal Mails:—Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Patroclus), 10.30 a.m.

#### Thursday.

(May 17th.)

Ascension Day.  
Alfonso XIII. of Spain born 1888.  
Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., 47th ordinary general meeting, noon.  
Queen's Theatre: "Sorrel and Son."  
World Theatre: "Diplomacy" at 5.15 and 9.30, at 2.30 and 7.15, "Lock Young Bridge."  
Star Theatre: "The Heart of Salome."  
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.  
Principal Mails:—Inward: Europe via Negapatam, letters only (Santha).

#### Friday.

(May 18th.)

Helena May Institute Christian Fellowship Meeting, 10.30 a.m.  
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., Extraordinary General Meeting, 11 a.m.  
Queen's Theatre: "Sorrel and Son."  
World Theatre: "Diplomacy" at 5.15 and 9.30, "Lock Young Bridge" at 2.30 and 7.15.  
Star Theatre: "The Heart of Salome."  
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.

#### Saturday.

(May 19th.)

Golf Bogey Pool, Fanning Lane, Yau Ma Tei, 4th ordinary yearly meeting, noon.  
Queen's Theatre: "Sorrel and Son."  
World Theatre: "Diplomacy" at 5.15 and 9.30, "Lock Young Bridge" at 2.30 and 7.15.  
Star Theatre: "The Heart of Salome."  
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.  
Principal Mails:—Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Athos II), 2.30 p.m.

#### Sunday.

(May 20th.)

Golf Bogey Pool, Fanning Lane, Yau Ma Tei, 4th ordinary yearly meeting, noon.  
Queen's Theatre: "Sorrel and Son."  
World Theatre: "Diplomacy" at 5.15 and 9.30, "Lock Young Bridge" at 2.30 and 7.15.  
Star Theatre: "The Heart of Salome."  
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.

#### Monday.

(May 21st.)

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.

#### Tuesday.

(May 22nd.)

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.  
Principal Mails:—Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Athos II), 2.30 p.m.

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## MUSSOLINI THE MYSTIC.

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One of Signor Mussolini's few comments after the last attempt on his life was that his country need not fear that he would fall by assassin's bombs or shots. He knew they could not succeed, for the manner of his death had already been foretold. He was guarded by his Star, by his Destiny.

The fact is that Mussolini, like most successful modernists, has a good deal of medievalism in his philosophy. When he was a small boy at the hamlet of Varano di Costa, he came largely under the influence of a woman known as Old Jane (Giovanna). The neighbours shunned her as a witch and whispered unkind things about the mysterious deaths of her three husbands, but little Benito was never afraid of her. He haunted her hovel and sat at her feet, imbibing all sorts of strange lore about dreams, omens, lucky numbers and lunar influences.

From her also he learned why the front paws of a hare are so short, why oxen allow themselves to be led by women, why cats see in the dark, and many things which have perplexed ordinary men of science. It was she who taught him to tell fortunes by cards, an art he found very useful when tramping crustless in Switzerland. He once told a sub-prefect's wife that she would receive a letter calling her to a sick-bed and that the invalid would recover. And so it came to pass. Her mother fell ill, sent for her, and duly recovered.

### A Fatalist.

He is a fatalist, and derives many inspirations from astrology. "The Sun entered Leo eight days before I was born," he often observes with pride. And "the public man, like the poet," he has written, "is born to his doom; he can never escape it." He also believes in his personal magnetism. A subtle joy comes over him when Abruzzi women hold up children or war-memorials to be blessed by him.

A story illustrating his superstition is told of the heydays of Mussolini's dictatorship. Sitting in his study at the Palazzo Chigi, he read story after story in the papers telling of the calamities which had befallen the violators of the Pharaoh's tomb. Suddenly he seized the telephone, pouring forth orders in his most masterful tones. He had begun to grow anxious because he remembered that someone had recently sent him an Egyptian mummy, and he had lodged it beneath the famous tapestries in one of the halls of the palace. It must be removed at once. Various objections were made. Where was it to go? Who was to move it? Did his Excellency remember that the King was coming to see it? Mussolini grew more and more peremptory. If all the work of the State had to be suspended, if every Blackshirt in the kingdom had to be mobilized, that mummy must be moved at once. And it was so!

### Claustrophobia.

Prejudices accompany his superstitious. He hates beards and easy chairs, shrinks from being touched, avoids shaking hands whenever possible, denounces talk that condemns him to personal loneliness. He also suffers from claustrophobia—the fear of enclosed spaces, uncomfortable even in a "railed garden." "I cannot bear to feel shut in," he said. "These bars and railings are torture to me. They make me feel suffocated. You may laugh, but you have probably never been in prison. I have been eleven times in prison and can never shake off the feeling."

During the war he hated to be confined in a dug-out, and craved rather to go out and face the enemy's fire. He refused to enter the Blue Grotto at Capri for the same reason. "I hate freemasonry with all its rites and darkness," he declared. "I hate grottoes, I hate everything that does not unfold itself freely, clearly, openly in the sight of the sun."

### The Name Of Rome.

Mussolini has always been intensely sensitive to atmosphere. He grows gloomy at dusk, and in his war diary he describes a night on guard: "snow, snow, we are drunk with its whiteness." Names have a mystic effect on his mind—most of all the name of Rome. He loves to recall that in Romagna the milk way is known as the road to Rome. When he was a boy, he used to carve Rome on desks and benches. Who shall say that his mysticism is not the secret of his success? H. V.

## CHINESE EXECUTED AT MANILA.

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MANILA, May 14th.

"Sir, I pronounce the prisoner dead!"  
Thus the official physician of Bilbid addressed Director Victorio of the Bureau of Prisons, at 3:14 sharp this afternoon, after having held a consultation with three other physicians over the body of Agustin Chan-Lin Wat, slayer of Manuel Escarella, a private detective. Chan was carried to the electric chair from the death-chapel three minutes after 3 o'clock, prison officials having granted a three-minute lease of life to the prisoner who was to have been led to his death, according to law, at 3 o'clock sharp. The additional minutes were granted at the request of the chaplain of Bilbid who, at the appointed time, had not yet finished his spiritual ministrations to the condemned man.

### Faced Death Calmly.

Chan faced death calmly and resolutely, according to Director Victorio. Shortly before being led to the electric chair he talked with Director Victorio and Assistant Director Azate, thanking them for their kindness. He grasped the hands of the two prison officials, and then addressed Director Victorio: "Good-by, Director. Please take care of my body. Turn it over to my wife." These were the last words uttered by Chan Lin Wat. A few seconds later, at his request, Chan was anesthetized to minimize sufferings. He was unconscious from the effects of the ether administered to him, and had to be carried by guards from the death-chapel to the electric chair. Outside the death-house two Chinese relatives waited for his body.

In order that he would die a Catholic, and thus would be entitled to religious consolation before his death, Chan Lin Wat, at his request, was converted to the Catholic faith yesterday afternoon. Father Luis del Rosario, chaplain of Bilbid, baptized him. Felipe Gamo, an overseer in Bilbid, acted as god-father in the baptismal ceremony.

Chan Lin Wat was sentenced to death by the court of first instance of Rizal for the murder of Manuel Escarella, a private detective, on the night of September 21st, 1925. Escarella had been investigating the cause of a fire which destroyed the property of several Chinese merchants in Nueva Ecija, and had secured evidence incriminating certain individuals. The murder was planned and carried out to destroy the evidence said to have been in Escarella's possession.—*Manila Times.*

## SECRETS OF GOOD DANCING.

STYLE THE THING THAT  
MATTERS.

[BY A DANCE TEACHER.]

Dance style, is the thing that counts to-day. Steps have ceased to matter. Some excellent dancers have only half a dozen steps in their repertoire. Yet their dancing attracts admiring notice and they are sought after as partners. I continually see couples doing all sorts of steps that spoil their dancing—steps in bad taste, ungraceful steps unsuited to their particular physique; steps that look ungainly and awkward because they have been insufficiently mastered.

Few of these people are fundamentally poor dancers. Some are naturally graceful, agile, deft. But they look wrong, as a woman with an over-trimmed hat looks wrong. And they are wrong, as dance fashions go—and as aesthetic standards go.

Practice—preferably before a full-length mirror—and self-criticism are essentials to perfection. Most dancers have small faults which can be eliminated only by diagnosis and deliberate eradication.

The commonest fault among girls is to dance with the feet too wide apart and the body held limply instead of springy erect. Dancing women often forget that they must dance. So many think that all they have to do is to lean on the man and let him push them round. Be easy, quick, light, lithe, and be conscious of muscular action as you dance—that is, if you wish to look well and get the maximum pleasure out of the pastime. Dance as you walk—shoulders a trifle back, treading firmly but lightly, heel and toe (not toe and heel).

Keep your feet close together. Never finish a step with the feet apart. Your feet should almost brush one another as they pass, straight, sure, trim. Move from the hips, not the knees. Men's commonest faults are dancing on the toes (which destroys balance and looks absurd), pump-handling the arms and moving the shoulders, and holding their partners badly.

## I.L.P. UTOPIA.

MR. MAXTON, M.P., ON THE  
PARTY'S IDEALS.

Mr. James Maxton, I.L.P., in his presidential address at the annual Conference of the Independent Labour Party at Norwich, said:

"To me there are three or four conditions that must prevail before we have a Socialist system that we will be prepared to call Socialist:—  
"First, we must have a narrowing of the gulf that separates rich from poor—a gulf that is represented by the millionaire super-taxpayer at one end and by the unemployed girl of eighteen at the other end, who is valued to-day by the statesman at 8s. a week, and also, by the stone-breaking casual with his meagre diet. The narrowing must continue till the gulf vanishes.

"The second condition is abolition of the status implied by the term 'master and servant,' employer and employed, 'ruler and ruled.'  
"Thirdly, there must be the reduction of arduous routine labour to the minimum necessary for material comfort and a more equitable distribution of that type of labour among the whole community.

"Fourthly, land and capital must be communally owned."  
The I.L.P., he said, demanded that the Labour Party should work out now the method by which, on the day that Labour assumed power, it could proceed to make every member of the working class in Great Britain the recipient of an income that would bring a sense of security and comfort to the home and represent the effective beginning of the progress to Socialism.

At the afternoon session Mr. Maxton referred to the demand of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald that the I.L.P., having finished its work, should now cease to exist. Mr. Maxton said it was impudent.

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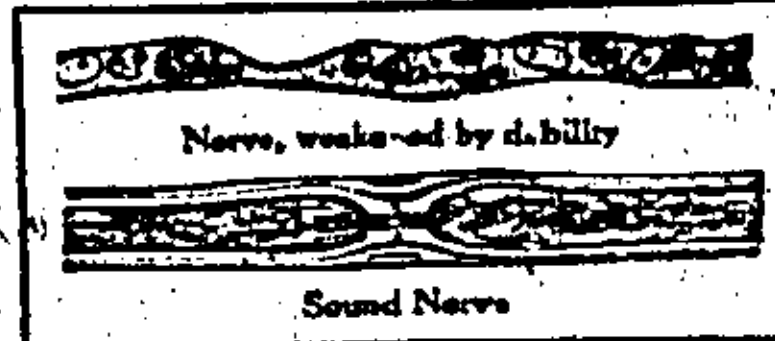
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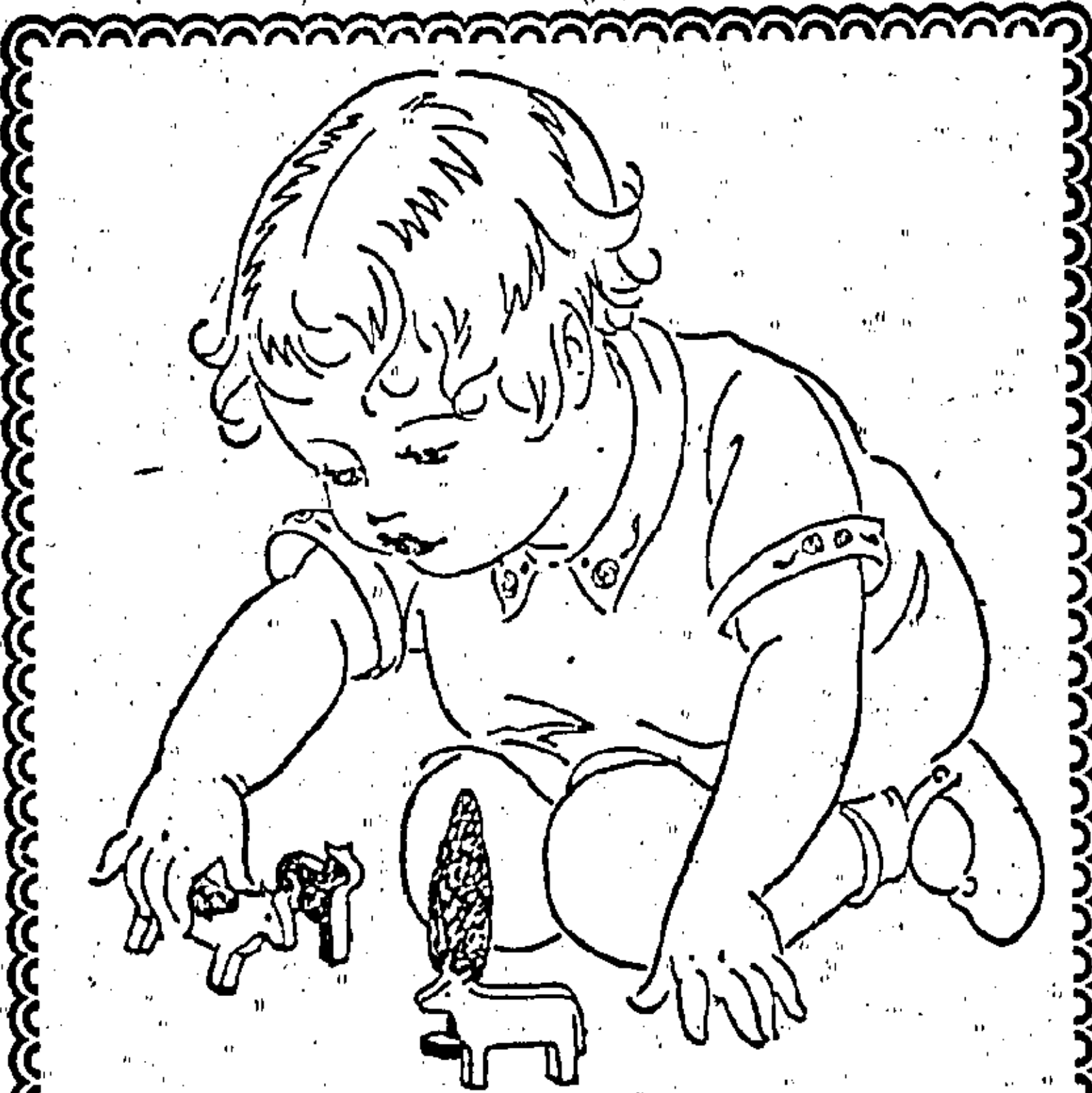
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## MARRIAGES OF 100 YEARS HENCE.

"THESE EUGENIC DAYS."

"THE AMERICAN SLOGAN OF SCRAP IT."

[BY ROSITA FORKES.]

The trouble is that woman's point of view has changed—in fact, is changing every day—and man's, with regard to things domestic, is more or less static. To the ordinary home-man, the intensive feminism of 1928 is as much a phase as the crinoline. He waits in impatient, tolerant or indulgent, for "women to come to their senses again."

He may appreciate woman's work if it is supplementary and unobtrusive, or if it adds to his comfort, but he is much more likely to regard it as a hobby, innocuous as gardening or embroidery!

His panacea for every ill is "children," because he is convinced that, by some miracle of a masculine heaven, every woman, be she professor of chemistry, empered accountant or lecturer in Chinese, has a latent maternal instinct which will recompense her for the loss of the most productive career.

In many cases it may be true, but in these eugenic days women are apt to consider the mental, physical and material heritage with which their offspring would be endowed. Where there is no instinct for motherhood, it may be questioned whether any useful purpose is served by adding an inferior citizen to an already overcrowded world.

**Motherhood As A Career.**

I would suggest, therefore, that the masculine treatment for the ills of modern marriage is as often a prickled bubble as the safety balloon he imagines. Motherhood of all careers, perhaps the highest of all feminine careers, but it is not a justification of or an escape from unsuccessful matrimony.

A generation ago the average woman's activities were confined to a small circle, from which, however discontented she might be, it was almost impossible to escape. Modern transport has added to the difficulties of marriage as of any other state which depends for success on the development of character, because it has made it so easy to escape from anything that is disagreeable, or even tedious. Change may be good for the mind, but it is generally bad for the heart.

The average modern couple do not see enough of each other for their marriage to become a habit. There is a French saying: "One can divorce a wife or desert a mistress, but change a habit, never!"

In 1928 there is little opportunity for readjustment. If things are difficult we go to a cinema or the Riviera! We waste a great deal of time in psycho-analysis, but we are so occupied with our own prickly individualism that we are singularly obtuse to the points of view with which—at intervals—we live! Modern marriage is of necessity intermittent, because, in the case of the wife, as well as the husband, is absorbed in a job, or a variety of jobs. There is no time to think in the tooth-and-nail struggle of modern existence. There is no question of anyone being content to remain in the state to which it has pleased heaven to call him. Life is a ladder up which everyone is breathlessly elbowing his or her way, and marriage is no more than one among many other assets or liabilities.

**Old-Fashioned Marriages.**

Personally, I think that the typical old-fashioned marriage, composed of male authority and feminine submission, of sacrifice and recrimination, of frustrated impulses, of reservations, prejudices, and a sturdy possessive-loyalty, is doomed with hermetically sealed rooms, weekly baths, and leisure. It was, we are told, the backbone of the nation, but it was a nation content with slum, with a labouring family supported on twelve shillings a week, with class distinctions and prejudices, with opportunity limited according to social status.

In 1928 everything is more malleable. We are approximating to the American ideal of growth and its ruthless slogan "Scrap it," whether the worn-out material be human or metal!

If our marriages gall, we are apt to scrap them, privately or in the divorce court, and, where there are no children to be considered, it is probably better to release two dissident personalities, which, separated, may be of service to the State, but together are so occupied with their grievances that they are of no more use to themselves, or anyone else, than a couple of embittered porcupines.

The whole world is raw. We have not got used to the velocity with which our brains are obliged to function. We are more sensitive and less controlled than our ancestors, and it would appear that we can endure the fret of an unsympathetic marriage no better than the tortures of the Middle Ages!

In such circumstances, with yearly increasing claims on our mental and physical energy, marriage is likely to develop more and more into a partnership, wherein husband and wife will have equal claims to consideration and whose dissolution will penalise neither.

(Continued on next column).

## NEW CAREER FOR WOMEN.

GIRL APPRENTICES TO ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS.

"DYNAMO QUEENS."

A new aspirant to the throne of industrial romance is the "dynamo queen," whose penetration into the mysteries of electricity has now advanced beyond the elementary stage.

Within the last two years a number of girls have become indentured apprentices to a firm of electrical engineers, and the experiment has been so successful from all points of view that arrangements are being made for more apprentices to be brought in.

Thus a new occupation for women seems definitely assured, providing, of course, they have a natural aptitude for the work.

The pioneers of the movement are Miss Patridge, of Exeter, and Miss Haslett, secretary of the Women's Engineering Society, in London.

Miss Patridge, who is a Bachelor of Science, is the head of an electrical contracting firm in Devonshire, where she specialises in "community lighting."

She and her staff of "electriciennes" have already introduced the modern touch to a number of wayside villages by replacing gas and oil lamps with the more illuminating rays of the electric bulb.

Miss Patridge also employs male electricians, on every contract she undertakes, and although the men did not relish the intrusion of the girls at first, they now look on the bobbed-hair companions as the best "mates" they ever had!

**Terms.**

An interesting description of the apprenticeship terms and the manner in which the girls manipulate the "foot-prints" and other tools associated with their trade was given to a *Daily Express* representative by Miss Haslett.

"Before we indenture them as apprentices," she said, "they must be physically sound."

In addition, they must have a mechanical and possess a mechanical instinct.

"This, of course, is not rare among girls now-a-days, for since motor-cars and motor-cycles became so popular they have developed the habit of tinkering about the engine and trying to find out things for themselves."

The premium is £50, but this is returned in wages during their three years' apprenticeship.

"The girls must be prepared to wear knickerbockers or any other garb suitable to the job they may be sent out on."

"They must climb ladders, work on the roofs of houses, and assist the bricklayers in building power stations."

Each girl is appointed as a "mate" to a journeyman, but as she gains experience she selects a "mate" of her own. This is generally a young lad just beginning his trade.

"They are taught everything from the laying of a cable to the lighting up of a town or village, and occasionally some of them have had to stay up at night to 'nurse' a recalcitrant engine in a power station with the same patience as they would exercise with a teething baby."

## CINEMA NEWS.

ADVENTUROUS MANNEQUINS.

"Footloose Widows," which can be seen at the World Theatre to-day, is a farce comedy of two mannequins who yearn for the thrill of love and adventure before it is too late, and plan to storm the citadel of wealth by posing as widows. Louise Fazenda and Jacqueline Logan are the Mannequins and Jason Robards, a new-comer to the screen, plays the hero.

Rin Tin Tin And A Lighthouse. At the Star to-day and to-morrow is "The Lighthouse by the Sea," Louise Fazenda plays the daughter of a lighthouse keeper, whose love for the leader of a bootlegging band almost brings her father to disaster. Rin Tin Tin the dog actor, performs several remarkable feats.

## Complete Equality.

Of course, this is looking beyond the era of wars, for the existing form of marriage, ordained for the protection of woman, will continue to be exploited by her as long as she cannot defend what she earns.

When there is complete equality between the sexes, or rather community of interests, as appears to exist in young middle-class America, where the marriage of college boys and girls is a labour-saving device, so that one home may facilitate two jobs, man will cease to be annoyed or depressed because the whole of his wife's time and attention are not at his disposal, and woman will shed the possessive attitude which accounts for much masculine unreason!

Possessions are the prison walls which restrict our freedom, and the marriage of a hundred years hence will be a partnership of free human beings, neither dependent on the other nor claiming from that other more than he or she chooses to give.

## MENACE OF MASS PSYCHOLOGY.

TEACHER'S WARNING TO STATESMEN.

"THE FILM BOSS OF HOLLYWOOD."

The menace of a mass psychology—the imposition upon the people of a machine-made culture and a standardised ideology—was referred to by Mr. W. W. Hill (Hinckley) in his presidential address at the annual conference of the National Union of Teachers at Cambridge. The delegates, 2,000 in number, were welcomed by the Mayor of Cambridge.

"Rightly to the watching earth," Mr. Hill said, "does the film boss of Hollywood show his 'dramas' and his 'comedies,' and propound his interpretation of life through silicate captions and the limited sweetness of long-drawn-out oscillations. A similar centralising tendency is visible in the newspaper Press."

"The time may come when a handful of men will determine what we shall read in our armchairs, and what we shall listen to by our firesides. Mass psychology in the future will be generated not so much at the street corner as in the chimney corner. Against this glorification of the mass and suppression of the individual the school definitely declares war. For that reason, if for no other, we press for a removal of the evil of large classes."

"There are 20,000 classes of more than fifty children in the primary schools to-day. If we are to concede the right of every human being to spiritual autonomy, if we are to breed thinkers and not slavish tools of other people's thinking, it is essential that this long-standing blot on our educational system be wiped out once and for all."

**Danger Of Ignorance.**

Referring to the extension of the franchise to young women, Mr. Hill said that he did not for a moment believe that women's ability to shoulder their increased public burdens was in any way lessened by the recent diminution in their sartorial burdens.

"But what I do fear, and what we must all fear, is the danger of a half-educated electorate. It is not democracy that is the menace but ignorance. This is the time, therefore, for the educationists of the country to utter a solemn warning to the statesmen, and to tell them that if they let their educational reforms lag behind their political reforms they will be preparing a situation of a highly dangerous character."

**Board Of Education Criticised.**

Regretting the refusal of the President of the Board of Education (Lord Eustace Percy) to fix a date for the raising of the school-leaving age as recommended by the Hadow Report, Mr. Hill said:

"Beneath his honeyed phrases we discern the steely glint of Treasury control. The President of the Board of Education is the conscript of finance. He ought to be the free champion of the schools. Surely when there is optimism in Lombard Street there need be no pessimism in Whitehall. If we can enlarge our banks we can expand our schools."

Mr. Hill said that the programme they laid before the President of the Board of Education was one they would like to see carried out in stages during the next five or ten years. In that period the school life should be lengthened, part-time education to the age of eighteen should be established, a liaison with industry brought about, adult education facilities increased, classes made smaller and buildings and equipment improved.

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These seven words look rather like a Latin inscription, and probably puzzled the telegraph operator, but the recipient saw at once that, despite their formidable appearance, they were ordinary English words, spelt phonetically, and cut into equal divisions of ten letters.

**The Interpretation.**

This is what he read:—"Have got a rise, fine one. Shall be home about five—Love to Rodney, Anthony, mum, you as well. Tatz, Dubs. (Kisses.)"

"Dubs" was the young man's nickname.

A Post Office official said to a *Daily Express* representative that, according to the regulations, such a telegram should not have been sent.

"It must have been a mistake on the part of the official concerned," he added. "In the ordinary way such obvious combinations of words would be divided up and the sender charged at the usual rate."

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#### TESTIMONY TO DR. T. W. PEARCE.

A successful and most interesting meeting of the Hong Kong Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society, was held yesterday afternoon in the Helena May Institute.

The Right Rev. the Bishop of Victoria (the Rev. C. R. Duppuy, D.D.) was in the chair, and among other speakers was the Rev. E. K. Higdon, a missionary now stationed in the Philippine Islands, who gave an eloquent address on the international conference which took place in March in Jerusalem.

A large number of people were present yesterday and on the platform supporting the Chairman were: Dr. J. Herbert Sanders (Hon. Treasurer), the Rev. Frank Short (Hon. Secretary), Mr. S. Short, who played for the hymns, the Rev. N. O. T. Burkwall, the Rev. E. K. Higdon, the Rev. W. W. Rogers and the Rev. J. C. Knight Anstey.

Some interesting facts contained in the report were commented upon by the Speakers. The circulation of the Bible Society during 1927 was 22,419 Bibles 558,271 New Testaments, and 7,053,908 Portions (whole Gospels and other books), a total of 8,534,588 volumes.

The amount handed by the Auxiliary to the sub-agency account last year was \$1,634.52 compared with \$909 during 1926, and \$809 was collected by the ladies in 1927 as against \$310 the previous year.

The meeting was opened by a hymn after which the Rev. J. C. Knight Anstey offered a prayer. The Chairman then announced that Dr. T. W. Pearce who had been Secretary for many years having retired, he had been succeeded by the Rev. Frank Short. He was writing to the Church in China with regard to the appointment of money collectors for the present year.

Wyndham Street Depot.

The Rev. Frank Short (Hon. Secretary) presented the Secretaries Report and added some information as to the work of the Bible Society Depot in Wyndham Street. Its real function was to sell the scriptures but it had proved impossible to pay expenses in this way, and it had been decided to sell English books there as well. It was now possible to get a large number of English books at the depot and in a short while many books would be on sale there which were otherwise unobtainable in the Colony.

#### THE REPORT FOR 1927.

The General Committee of the Hong Kong Auxiliary submitted the following report.

Activities for which the Auxiliary is responsible have been well maintained. The Society's claims have been advocated from pulpits and platforms. The Ladies Committee has devoted attention to the collection of funds in aid of the Society's world wide work. Local Churches, Chinese and non-Chinese, have responded to the special appeals addressed to them on Bible Sunday. Information relating to the methods and results of bible work under the auspices of the Society, has been further diffused by means of the Bible, Book and Tract Depot. The Managing Committee aims to make wider use of the Depot, representing as it does the great Christian Book Societies, and being as it is, a place of call and enquiry for residents, visitors and passing travellers. It is seen to fulfil its purpose of keeping local friends and sympathisers in touch with endeavours that make always for the achievement of what is best in civilization and the progress of the world towards its final goal.

Among matters of moment arising from the working of the Depot was the enforced absence from the Colony, through ill-health during part of the year, of the esteemed manageress, Mrs. Bailey. To a proper expression of sympathy and good wishes for her complete recovery, should be added due appreciation of the fact that, thanks to her daughter, Mrs. Ingram, whose experience enabled her to take temporary charge, there was no interruption in the needed supervision. (Mrs. Bailey has since resigned with effect from January 31st 1928.)

Sales from the Depot of Scripture publications have totalled 5,309 copies in the following languages: English, English and Cantonese, Cantonese, Welsh, Hindi, Mandarin, Roumian, Japanese, Punjabi, Urdu, Welsh, French, Russian, German, Filipino, Spanish, Hindi and Italian. In addition there have been sold copies of the Bible Scriptures, and maps and Scrolls. The amount received from these sales was \$2,533.52.

#### Colportage.

Advertising to the subject of colportage it may be observed that from the time that this Auxiliary was founded the distribution by sales, of the Christian Scriptures among the Chinese population of the colony has been one of its leading aims. In the promotion of colportage the Auxiliary has the active support of the Chinese local Churches. The beginnings of evangelisation are often associated closely with this form of endeavour. Colporteurs working in British Territories and in a region of country immediately adjacent are supervised by missionaries who accept responsibility to the Society, though this, Rev. H. O. T. Burkwall, the Society's agent in Canton.

#### Work Among Boat People.

The men employed pursue their avocation in the chief centres of population on island and mainland, the markets in rural districts, in scattered villages and hamlets; and not less assiduously among the boat people. They meet for the most part, with a friendly reception and success in finding purchasers for Christian books. Worthy of note in this connection is the Mission to the boat population founded and maintained by the Chinese Churches of the Colony. This Mission has an aspect towards Scripture distribution, on the Harbour and the waters of the New Territories. The Churches participating in this enterprise share in the work of evangelisation through colportage.

Extracts from Mr. Burkwall's annual report on the work in the Hong Kong Sub-agency are given for their interest and information.

"The Territory included in the Hong Kong Sub-agency takes in Hainan, Pakhoi, Yungkong, Kongmoon, Swabue and the New Territories at the back of Hong Kong. Formerly Lungchow in Kwangsi was one of our posts; but during the past year there has been colportage working from this city and it has been placed under the Kwangsi Colportage Committee working from Wuchow.

The island of Hainan and the Pakhoi district on the mainland in the far south-eastern part of the province of Kwangtung have been much disturbed this year. Yungkong has enjoyed a quiet year excepting for minor local disturbances. Colportage has had a good year.

Kongmoon has had a good year in colportage work. Two men with some 20,000 sales to their credit is indicative of some freedom of movement among the markets, towns and villages, even in times when the river routes are hampered by bandit raids. It has been the case about Kongmoon. Nothing has been possible in the Swabue field.

The work in and around Hong Kong has been carried on without any interruption or opposition. Sales, however, have not been up to the usual returns of past years. This seems due to conditions over which the Superintendents have had no control. The field may have been overworked in a sense. Attention is given to a study of the field to ascertain how colportage may do more than has been done this year.

An average of twelve men have been at work during the year in this sub-agency. These have sold 93,377 books.

#### Testaments For Soldiers.

A consignment of testaments was sent out from London for distribution among the troops quartered in Hong Kong during the height of the troubles on the Yangtze. The Commanding General kindly wrote a brief introduction and endorsement of the book which was pasted in the inside cover, and added much to the personal touch in the presentation. Goodly numbers of these books were distributed by Chaplains and in the Military Y.M.C.A. booths. The Rev. G. T. B. Davis, visiting Hong Kong held a number of meetings for the soldiers, and distributed further lots of the testaments to the men. These books are not included in the sub-agency report of sales or Grants.

#### Bible Sunday.

Bible Sunday was observed in the usual manner in the English speaking Churches. A local Chinese Committee made special arrangements and appeal for the observance of Bible Sunday in the Chinese Churches. Suitable literature and special envelopes to aid in the Chinese information and the taking of the offerings were sent to the Churches. A very real interest in Bible Society work was aroused among the Church leaders and the membership.

During the last Autumn a series of meetings carried on by a union effort of all the Churches was ministered to by Mr. Leland Wang from Fuchow. These were attended by large audiences, and for the closing meetings one of the large theatre buildings in the Colony was secured. It was filled to capacity. The management let the use of the building without pay. Large numbers were moved to decision for Christ and for enlistment in bible classes in various Churches. Bible reading and personal bible study were extensively promoted by these meetings.

#### Statement Of Accounts.

Dr. J. Herbert Sanders (Hon. Treasurer) presented the accounts and said that the auxiliary should aim at handing over \$2,000 per annum to the sub-agency. He recommended a pamphlet entitled "How you got your Bible to the Society." It was a clear explanation of the history of the Bible and gave facts that were very useful and valuable in the mission.

#### The Conference At Jerusalem.

The Rev. E. K. Higdon speaking about the International Conference at Jerusalem, said that when the war was over the International Missionary Council had been organised in America, England and Australasia. The gathering on the Mount of Olives on March 24th, 1928, was comprised of 240 men and women from 52 different nations. The streets of old Jerusalem could never have seen so great a mixture of dress and nationality gathered together at one time. This group met and conducted in the most democratic manner, a discussion which was carried on in the open air on the Mount of Olives. Every one had a chance to speak and when every point had been thrashed out in agreement, the Bishop of Mecheret wrote the entire report of their findings. The consensus of opinion was that Protestantism was the best method of giving Christ's message to the world. Fifty per cent. and more of these people were members of native churches. The greatest need of the Gospel was in the villages, the younger churches represented showed a strong desire for co-operation of all churches in the work.

Organised Christianity was on trial to-day as never before. There were a very large number of people in India and Persia especially who read the new testament and accepted Christ but who would not join any church. His impressions on leaving the meeting were that deep thought was required to settle this particular question, that men were everywhere restless and spiritually hungry, and that only Christianity could give them what they wanted. He was impressed by the wonderful spirit of unity at the gathering. There was "plenty of material to have a row there, any time," but even out of that diversity of races and temperaments had come a unity due to the fact that every man and woman there was anxious primarily to do the work of Him who prayed on that spot that all might be one. The Rev. E. K. Higdon then moved the adoption of the accounts which was seconded by the Right Rev. the Bishop and carried unanimously.

#### Bible Society Progress Locally.

The Rev. H. O. T. Burkwall, who has been in charge of the work of the Society in Canton for the past 29 years, said that Hong Kong had led the other auxiliaries in China since 1908. Since that date the circulation had increased from 24 millions to 104 millions. During 1927 every 36 days of the year saw a new language added to the list of those in which the scriptures were published. Since 1908 a complete Hakka Bible had been published and another Bible that could be read in any part of China where Mandarin was spoken. It was hoped to get the scriptures particularly to soldiers and policemen but the disturbed state of China had rendered this difficult of late years. Missionaries and Bible sellers had been welcomed lately in South China, however, and it was remarkable that there was a great demand for leather bound scriptures. The paper cover ones were not wanted so much, an indication that books were valued and read frequently. The average sales were from one to three thousand copies a month. They were sold for 100,000,000, but it was found that most purchasers bought 5 volumes, i.e., the four Gospels and the Acts.

The Rev. H. O. T. Burkwall then proposed the re-election of the Rev. Frank Shaw as secretary and Dr. J. H. Sanders as treasurer, and of the General Committee. These elections were seconded by the Right Rev. the Bishop and carried.

The Rev. G. T. Waldegrave tendered the thanks of the meeting to the Lady Collectors, the Helena May Institute, for the use of the room, the ladies who had made the arrangements for the tea, and the speakers.

#### tribute To Dr. Pearce.

The Rev. W. W. Rogers proposed and the Rev. O. T. Wells seconded the following resolution: "That the Hong Kong Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society desires to place on record its grateful appreciation of the abundant labours of Dr. T. W. Pearce, O.B.E., in connection with the work of the Auxiliary and the Bible Depot, extending over several decades. (Continued on next Column.)



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### SHARK'S FINS AND RUBBISH.

#### COOLIE WITH SOUL OF AN EPICURE.

#### THE SLIP BETWEEN CUP AND LIP.

Chinese epicures would undoubtedly shed tears to learn that a mere coolie had had the temerity to mix their world-famed and most expensive dish, "shark fins," with rubbish.

A bowl of shark fins costs \$30 and many a Chinese will forego a new silk gown in order to gratify his palate, and here was a coolie who thought nothing of 15 catties of these precious fins.

But the \$30 was a goodly sum in spite of his humble position in life. He was very fond of shark. (Continued on next Column.)

"Dr. Pearce having retired, it is felt that this occasion should be taken to give expression to our gratitude for his services, and our hope that he may be applied to continue his work for the and other societies.

"The Auxiliary further desires to record the valuable services of Dr. Pearce in connection with the translation of the Bible which is known to the Union Wenli Version, a gown to the labours of a missionary whose praise is in all the Churches, and who has received public recognition of his many services to China and the Colony."

The Doxology was then sung by all present, and the Right Rev. the Bishop offered a short prayer and gave the Benediction.

and not having many \$30 bills at his disposal he set out, when he got the chance, to accumulate as many fins as he could so that he would have a stock to last him for months.

Luck favoured him for his duty as a rubbish scavenger one day took him to a district where warehouses abounded. There he saw coolies busily carrying sacks of fins into one of the godowns. He stood still and watched till the eight almost paralysed him for a moment. But he regained his composure, continued his sweeping, and in a few seconds had collected a heap of rubbish outside the godown. He stood over the rubbish and while each coolie passed with a sack of shark fin over his shoulders, the epicurean pulled out one from the loose straw sack and dumped it on his heap of rubbish. Broom in hand he hid the fin under the rubbish, and in this way no less than fifteen catties of fins were collected.

His Failure. Everything would have gone well with him had he maintained the same easy frolic to the end, but the knowledge that he had gathered in enough fins to last through the summer, evidently upset him. He at once began to sweep the rubbish into his own basket, but the manner in which he did so was so novel and suspicious that a district watchman, who was watching his movements at a distance, took it into his head to investigate.

The result was that the district watchman took charge of the coolie and the shark fins and brought both before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Central Magistracy yesterday. The coolie also gave certain information to the police which implicated another man, an employee of the godown Mr. Horace Lo appeared for the implicated man and secured his discharge. The epicure was sentenced to six weeks in Victoria Gaol, where shark fins are not considered a healthy diet for those who have to perform hard labour.



## NO ANTI-JAPANESE PARADES.

CANTON GOVERNMENT ORDER.

BUT STUDENT AGITATORS ENCOURAGED.

TO-DAY'S LABOUR CONFERENCE.

(FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.)

CANTON, May 14th.

In order to guard against any mob violence towards Japanese nationals, the Government has forbidden all parades or any other form of public demonstration of an anti-Japanese nature. No person is allowed to do anything which will cause or tend to cause physical harm to Japanese lives and property in Canton and Kwangtung generally. This Government ban is aimed at the rowdy elements which thrive on trouble and disorder and would, in the name of patriotism, do anything to bring about incidents of the kind that everyone wants to avoid.

The Provincial Administration places no restriction, however, on meetings and public speeches of an orderly and patriotic nature. In fact the Government is encouraging such events. Thus the City Kuomintang is organizing a lecture corps for the purpose of proclaiming "the danger and possible outcome of the Japanese military expedition to Shantung." This lecture corps consists of 5 groups each of 4 persons, mostly students. The lecture campaign is to last one month and Canton has been divided into 5 lecturing districts. These street lectures are given every evening between 6 and 9 p.m. and propaganda pamphlets and handbills are distributed. The orators have to assemble at 6 p.m. in the headquarters of the City Kuomintang for instruction as to what they are to talk about. The only remuneration is 90 cents a day "tea money."

The number of Japanese nationals who left Canton for Shanghai and Hong Kong last week is 136. On Monday last, 15 left; Tuesday, 63; Wednesday, 17; Thursday, 32; Friday, 23; and Saturday, 21.

The latest news of the boycott against Japanese goods is that the merchants in Kowloon have joined in and are refusing to deal in Japanese goods any longer. They have organized a boycott committee and have called their clients in Hong Kong and in Macao, and elsewhere not to send any more Japanese goods.

The Canton Political Council has ordered, in a notification to the Provincial Administration and to the Canton Municipal Government, the suspension of all public feasts and merry-making for a period of one month. This is in the nature of a further reminder to the people of the Tsinan incident.

## AN ANTI-COMMUNIST LABOUR UNION.

CANTON, May 14th.

The Kwangtung General Labour Union, one of the most powerful labour organizations in Canton, is to hold its Second Representative Conference to-morrow (Tuesday) morning at its headquarters in Sai Kwa Yuen, Canton. The Conference will last three days. During the past few days delegates to the Conference have been pouring in to Canton from all parts of Kwangtung. Over 400 delegates have already arrived representing over 40 branches of the Union throughout the Province.

An officer of the Union, in an interview with the Daily Press representative, said that the Union has been strongly anti-Communist ever since its formation some years ago. During the time when Soviet influence in Canton was at its height the Union was constantly harassed and repressed. During the Communist holocaust of December 11th the offices of the Union were captured by the Communists who used them as a meeting place. Much of the furniture was demolished and many of the members were killed. It is one of the few remaining labour unions approved by the Government. When Borodin was at the height of his power in Canton, there were 430 labour unions in Canton. That large number is now reduced to 41.

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## JAPANESE SCHOOL MYSTERY.

A BOGUS TELEPHONE MESSAGE.

TRICK TO GAIN TIME.

Considerable mystery surrounds the discovery of the decomposed body of a Chinese amah at the Japanese Public School, Kennedy Road, by the Police on Friday afternoon last.

The body was found in a locked room at the rear of the school following a report made to the police by the headmaster whose attention was drawn to an overpowering smell emanating from the room. Medical examination of the decomposed body showed that death must have occurred about ten days ago.

The body was in a room locked from the outside and inside there were three daggers, all blood stained and with hair adhering to them. This suggests that more than one person was involved in the murder.

Other amahs employed in the same establishment stated that they had seen the murdered amah alive on April 29th. That same evening the unfortunate woman had received a visit from a young man about 22 years of age. The man was seen leaving the premises, and about half an hour after he had left the telephone bell rang.

On answering the telephone a voice, sufficiently well imitated to pass for that of the murdered woman, said that she would be away for a few days as a relative was sick in Kowloon and that she would have to attend to him. The other servants, after receiving the message, thought that there was nothing wrong and the continued absence of the murdered woman was therefore not remarked upon with the result that no report was made to the police until the locked room gave up its secret.

The body was in such a state of decomposition that satisfactory identification was impossible. The only means, and a doubtful one, of identifying the dead body was a report made to the police by the other servants that the murdered amah had gold teeth. They were, however, unable to say how many teeth or in what part of the jaw they were set. Nevertheless the dead woman was found to have two gold teeth.

The report that the Police have found and detained the young man who visited the amah has not been confirmed. The police are now endeavouring to trace the young man who visited the amah and was with her the last time she was seen alive.

## PROPOSED CHINESE FACULTY.

HOPE TO GET \$300,000.

## EUROPEAN COMMUNITY TO BE ASKED TO ASSIST.

At a meeting of the committee soliciting funds for the proposed Chinese Faculty of the Hong Kong University, held yesterday at the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, the hope was expressed that \$300,000 will soon be raised. It was also stated that over \$150,000 had been promised. It was decided that the Hon. Dr. B. H. Kowall, C.M.G., should approach all European and foreign firms in the Colony by letter within these few days, and after the letters had been sent, the soliciting committee will make a house to house call for funds.

It is believed that the Europeans and foreign merchants will respond generously.

In front of the headquarters of the Union two big pavilions have been erected. At night these pavilions are illuminated with a blaze of electric lights. In the middle there is a picture of the late Dr. Sun Yat Sen, festooned with electric lights. In addition to these two temporary arches, a large number of flags and banners are hanging over the maloo in front of the Union Headquarters.

Slogans announcing the aims and attitude of the Labour Conference in respect to labour welfare and to the present political events now taking place in China are posted everywhere on the streets and malloos of Canton. Some of these slogans run as follows: "Down with Japanese Imperialism"; "Restore the Anti-Communist Labour Union"; "Support the Labour Movement, which is an integral part of the Nationalist Party"; "Down with all the Reactionary Powers and Influence which tend to Oppress Labour"; "Support the Northern Punitive Military Expedition"; "Eradicate Every Vestige of the Chinese Communist Party."

## AFFRAY AT ABERDEEN.

FOKIS WHO TIED UP A CONSTABLE.

ALL ACQUITTED.

"A QUESTION OF SQUEEZE?"

Before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon the six Chinese who were charged with assaulting a Shantung policeman, binding him and taking away his revolver, were discharged. Counter allegations were made against the Shantung policeman and the plain clothes Constable, who figured in the case of attempting to obtain bribes from an old man at Po Chong. This matter is to be dealt with departmentally.

Mr. W. Kent (A.S.P.) appeared for the Crown, and Mr. M. K. Lo was for the first defendant, the master of the farm at Po Chong by whom four of the other defendants were employed. Mr. C. A. S. Russ appeared on behalf of the other five defendants, one of whom is a fisherman.

Sergt. Hopkins, who was present at the Aberdeen Police Station when the defendants were brought in, told the Court that he was under the impression that the first defendant was not with the group, and did not take part in the attack on the Shantung policeman.

Questioned by Mr. Russ, the witness replied that he presumed that the defendants had a legitimate grievance against the constable, but denied that he knew that the constable had threatened them with his revolver.

The first defendant told the Court that he was master of a vegetable farm at Po Chong, and that four of the defendants were employed by him on his farm at Po Chong. The remaining defendant was a casual fisherman who was present at Po Chong at the time. He first heard of the trouble when he was at his other farm at Sum Wan, where he received the news from one of the defendants. He immediately hurried to Po Chong, and found the constable bound and lying on the ground. He was told about the whole affair, and suggested that the constable be released, but the *fohis* said that the constable was "very fierce" and had threatened to kill them. The witness then agreed that he should be taken to the Police Station at Aberdeen. All this time the constable said nothing to him.

Yee Yau, the fisherman, said that he had just arrived from Waichow in his boat, having heard that Po Chong was a good fishing ground. He knew nothing else about the place.

Lim Sum, one of the *fohis* of the first defendant, and the oldest man of the group, said that he was in a hut cooking at the time, and was approached by two constables. One of them was not in uniform. He was seized by the plain clothes constable and told to come out. He refused saying that he had to cook the evening meal. The constable in uniform then helped to pull him out, and they dragged him up the hillside. They told him to carry a stump of pine tree, which was lying some way up the hillside. Against his refusal, and he was told that he would be "kicked to death." Witness was afraid and agreed to carry it. They then asked for money, but were told that he had none to give. "The constable drew his revolver and threatened me," the old man alleged, and said that he shouted for help. His fellow *fohis* heard him and came to his rescue. They snatched the revolver from the constable and bound him with rope. The plain clothes constable took to his heels, and from a distance threw stones at them. They did not release the Shantung man as they were afraid.

The witness in answer to the Magistrate said that the two police officers refused to give any reason why they wanted him to accompany them up the hillside. He merely had to obey them.

Wong Yee, another of the defendants, also said that the first defendant, his master, was not present at the time of the assault. It was he (witness) who went to tell his master of the affair. He said that all the defendants were at work near the huts and heard the old man call for help. He also corroborated the evidence already given regarding the capture of the revolver, and the subsequent binding of the constable.

The Magistrate, reviewing the evidence, said that he was satisfied that the first defendant was not there at the time, and ordered him to be discharged.

Regarding the remaining defendants, the Magistrate remarked that he could not see why the Shantung policeman should go off his beat, ride a mile in a boat to Po Chong, on the chance of finding a woodcutter. There must have been some intention of making a little squeeze.

All the defendants were then ordered to be discharged, and Mr. Kent, agreed with the Magistrate and remarked that the Shantung policeman and the plain clothes Constable would be dealt with by the Police Authorities.

## ROUND THE COURTS.

A BATCH OF BRAZEN FACED THIEVES.

THOUGHT HIMSELF ENTITLED TO IT.

An unusually large number of petty offenders were dealt with yesterday by the local Magistrates. Thieves evidently believe in impudence, and hope to bring off robberies of such a bare faced nature that victims and public are alike taken in and only realize when too late what has been going on.

Several of these gentry found their methods notably unsatisfactory. One cannot withhold a certain admiration for the two fellows who argued that no one suspects a man carrying a really bulky package. They tried it—a case of two great minds thinking alike—with packing cases and an oil barrel respectively, and it failed lamentably.

A sneak thief who had his eyes on a roll of cloth displayed outside the On Kee piece goods shop at No. 143, Queen's Road Central, was subjected to a long wait and eventually his patience was rewarded with four weeks' hard labour. It was stated against him that after a long vigil he walked toward the roll of cloth which he had been admiring, calmly walked off with the cloth to the amazement of the shopkeepers. However, they soon got over their surprise, captured the thief and handed him over to the police.

The man was charged before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy. He glibly told the Magistrate that he did not steal the roll of cloth. He was passing by and saw the cloth on the ground, and being a stranger to the Colony and not conversant with Hong Kong Ordinances, thought he was entitled to take the roll of cloth, for "was not finding keeping!" he asked.

His Worship, however, held a different view on the question of finding and gave the thief four weeks to think out a better theory of finding and keeping.

## TOO BULKY TO GET AWAY WITH.

Another two men were brought before the same Magistrate for trying to steal bulky goods. What ever made them centre their attention on "packing" cases and oil barrels was not disclosed. Probably they thought that to be seen with big things in the streets would be to pull wool over the eyes of the law.

No matter what they thought, a man who saw two large empty packing cases outside a shop in Wing Fat Street at once conceived the idea of taking them. He approached the cases and succeeded in getting away with them. He jogged along merrily with the cases on his shoulder but after going some distance, he found that several of the shop's *fohis* were after him. He was so taken aback that he did not know whether to drop the cases and make a dash for liberty or to stand still and allow himself to be taken. He chose the latter course and was brought before the Magistrate yesterday. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to ten days' hard labour.

The other man tried a similar trick with an empty oil barrel. He was fined \$5.

## "ONLY THREW IT OUT OF THE WAY."

"We only threw it out of the way as it obstructed us in our work," was the plea of two coolies charged with stealing a pulley block from the s.s. *Daviken*. They were brought before the Kowloon Magistrate and according to the evidence of Mr. S. Solberg, chief officer of the *Daviken*, the two defendants with a gang of coolies boarded the vessel at 6 a.m. on Sunday for the purpose of trimming the bunker. At 8 a.m. the pulley block was missing. Witness told the coolie foreman and warned him that if the pulley block was not returned within five minutes he would call the Police.

The time expired, and witness signalled for the police, but before the latter could come on the scene, the foreman brought back the missing article which he said he had recovered from a sampan.

When the Police boarded the *Daviken* they made enquiries and from the information supplied by the sampan mistress, the two defendants were arrested as the persons who threw the block into the boat.

They admitted throwing the article into the sampan but said that as it was in their way they had to remove it. The first man was fined \$50 and the second, in view of a previous conviction, was sentenced to two months' hard labour.

## STEALING COAL ALLEGED.

Three Chinese were brought before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy for the alleged theft of two cwt. of coal from Tsiao Road where a portion of the road is under repair. The case was fixed for hearing to-day.

## A CAT BURGLAR "STROKED."

A Chinese lad was described as a cat burglar when charged before Major C. Willson with stealing a jacket. It was stated that the garment was drying outside the verandah on the first floor of a house. The lad climbed up a drain pipe to reach his objective and while descending he was arrested.

The Magistrate ordered the juvenile cat burglar to be "stroked" twelve times—with the birch.

## STREET SNATCHERS.

Two Chinese were severely dealt with by Major C. Willson for snatching. One man was given six months' hard labour and twelve strokes of the birch for having snatched a gold necklace with a pendant from a girl in Wellington Street.

Four weeks' hard labour were meted out to a man who snatched a purse containing 34 cents from a man outside the World Theatre. The victim, after the man was arrested, made himself scarce preferring to lose his purse and 34 cents rather than appear in Court. The money was ordered by his Worship to be deposited in the Poor Box.

## EXPENSIVE "THREE CASTLES."

"Three Castles" cigarettes often end in being more expensive if one tries to avoid paying duty on them. A Chinese was arrested at the Tung On Wharf for having in his possession 490 of this brand of cigarettes, which he had brought from Canton and on which duty was not paid. He was fined \$20 by Major C. Willson.

## MORE MOTOR TOUTS.

The campaign against motor tout continues. Two of them were charged yesterday. One of them had appeared before the same Magistrate only a few days ago and was fined \$2. His fine was doubled and the other, who caused annoyance to the public outside the Canton Wharf, had to pay \$5.

## THE OPPORTUNIST.

Seizing his opportunity, and anything else that comes to hand is evidently the principle of a certain Chinese. But perhaps four weeks' sojourn in Victoria Gaol will make him use a little more discretion in future.

According to the Police, the man was passing the Tai Sing Goldsmiths when he saw four packages of cloth on the counter which had been placed there by a woman customer. The woman was busily looking at some gold ornaments, when the man snatched up and took possession of the packages. He was arrested and charged before Major C. Willson and sentenced to four weeks in gaol.

## REVOLVERS AND AMMUNITION.

As a result of a police raid, four Chinese were arrested at No. 517 Shanghai Street for having in their possession two revolvers and 12 rounds of ammunition. They were brought before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy who remanded the case until to-day when it will be heard by two magistrates.

## ANTIPATHY TO MOTOR VEHICLES.

There is everywhere a certain amount of antipathy to motor vehicles by pedestrians.

This resentment is felt more by country yokels than by men about town. In a certain section of Canton Road there is quite a small community of Chiu Chan men and they banded themselves together to enforce their right of way and also to make drivers of motor vehicles realize that they had just as much right on the streets as a car or a bus.

With this idea and the community that upheld it motor drivers were constantly at loggerheads. Matters were brought to a pitch on Saturday when a small Chin Chan bus was run over by a motor bus. A gang of Chiu Chan were said to have set upon the conductor and driver of the bus and a fight ensued. A large detachment of Police had to be sent down to quell the trouble when it was found that the conductor and driver had been rather badly hurt. The former had his ribs fractured and had to be rushed to the hospital for attention, while the latter was also badly bruised. The police was able to arrest two alleged members of the Chiu Chan clique and they were brought before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday. The case will be heard on Thursday.

## ALLEGED KIDNAPPERS.

The two Chinese charged with kidnapping two boys were yesterday committed for trial at the Jura Criminal Session by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy.

One of the defendants, it may be remembered, was a tenant at the house of the parents of the missing boy. It was also alleged that he had confessed to a friend that he had sold the two boys for \$720 to a man in Sun Tak.



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Shanghai.

Enquiries should be addressed to  
NAVAL STORE OFFICER, H.M.  
NAVAL YARD, Hong Kong. [6254]

## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.  
ACTION No. 207 of 1925.

BETWEEN  
THE YUE HONG BANK  
Plaintiffs  
AND  
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## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Undersecretary on THURSDAY, the 17th MAY, 1928, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended the 31st DECEMBER, 1927.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 17th MAY, 1928, Both Days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.  
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Hong Kong, 23rd April, 1928. [6172]

## HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

DRAFT—Programmes and Entry Forms for the FIFTH EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on SATURDAY, 26th MAY, 1928, on MONDAY, 29th MAY, 1928 (Weather Permitting), may be obtained at the RACE COURSE, HONG KONG CLUB, and CAWSTAY BAY STABLES.

Entries will CLOSE at 6 P.M. on WEDNESDAY, 16th MAY, 1928. [6244]

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## NOTICE.

DURING the Temporary Absence from the Colony of Mr. S. C. COOK, commencing on the 16th INSTANT, Mr. B. O. BLAKER, Chartered Accountant, will be Acting SECRETARY of the above Company.

By Order of the Board,  
S. COURTNEY COOK,  
Secretary.  
St. George's Building,  
Hong Kong, 9th May, 1928. [6237]

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Name of BATTERS, Moss & Co. (China), Ltd., has been changed to IMPERIAL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES (CHINA), LIMITED.

By Order of the Board,  
D. O. BOYCE,  
Secretary.  
[6247]

## HUMPHREYS ESTATE &amp; FINANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Certificate No. 3467 dated 30th August, 1920, for 25 Shares of this Company, Numbered 24851-24875 registered in the Name of Mrs. MARIAN LEGGE has been LOST or DESTROYED, and should this Certificate not be produced to the Company before the 15th JUNE, 1928, a New Certificate for the said Shares will be issued, and the Old Certificate No. 3467 will be thereafter treated by this Company as Null and Void.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers,  
Hong Kong, 11th May, 1928. [6241]

## DEATH.

GOLDING.—At Shanghai, on May 13th, PHILIP WALLACE GOLDING, aged 53. [6251]

Hong Kong Office: 11, Ice House Street.  
London Office: 21, Bride Lane, Fleet Street, E.C. 4.

## The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, MAY 15th, 1928.

## CHANGING LONDON.

THE President of the Royal Institute of British Architects has been lamenting the vanishing glories of old London. It is true that many landmarks are disappearing. Grosvenor House is gone, Devonshire House in Piccadilly is but a memory, and the fate of the Foundling Hospital hangs in the balance. He asks with the approval of all those who care for the historic character and beauty and health of London what they are going to do about it. Is the process of demolition to go on unchecked? But the answer is that nothing can be done about it because such changes are inevitable.

Of course, in a general way chance is a matter for regret. We can see beauty in most of the things that are old—old churches in English villages, old dwellings that for generations have meant home to men and women, and we eagerly cling to them because of their associations or their history. But it is the law of life that change should take place, and it ought really to be welcomed so long as it leads to progress and development on right lines. The pathways of progress are metalled with the debris of old and noble and beautiful things broken or become useless or fallen into decay. A great deal that is ugly and bad also disappears, but of that no sentimental heed is taken. There are many who weep when London loses an old building, but how many rejoice when an ugly one passes?

The real point that matters is that whenever ancient buildings vanish care should be taken to ensure that they are replaced by new buildings not less beautiful. Then it will come to pass that future generations will be as unwilling to see them disappear as the present generation are to part with the heritage of the Seventeenth Century. Much can be done in that direction, and it ought to be the special province of architects to see that it is accomplished. In recent years their record is not too good, as is proved by the vast, gaunt buildings that are springing up to disfigure some of the most dignified streets of London.

Architecture ought always to represent the spirit and the ideals of the period in which it is employed.

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All art that is true and honest answers to this test. In the "Ages of Faith" is found expression in the cathedrals that are the abiding glory of England. In these prosaic days architects are inclined to plead utility as the first consideration, but utility has a beauty of its own, and is in fact the inspiration of beauty of form. If an architect fails to give expression to the beauty of a great bank or business house, or even a block of flats, the fault is in himself. It is no excuse to indulge in vain regrets, as did the President of the Royal Institute of British Architects, at the disappearance of buildings that were the achievement of men of his own profession in years gone by.

Two Chinese cases of enteric were reported during the week end.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. A. C. da Silva, of No. 534, Nathan Road, to Miss S. M. Lima, of No. 1, Granville Road, Kowloon.

Silk forwarded from Hong Kong by the Empress of Canada on April 18th arrived in New York (St. John's Park) on May 10th, having been 22 days in transit.

With regard to the report of the motor-cycle accident, which appeared in our issue yesterday, Mr. Pereira who was driving the cycle informs us that he escaped practically uninjured and that the injury to Mr. J. Ribeiro, junr., was not as serious as was at first supposed. Mr. Ribeiro sustained a slight fracture of the jaw bone. The accident was the result of a skid and Mr. Pereira informs us that he was driving carefully at not more than twenty miles an hour.

## CANTON FOREIGN COMMISSIONER.

## FEW HOURS VISIT TO HONG KONG.

## INTERVIEW WITH H.E. THE HON. W. T. SOUTHERN.

Mr. Chu Hsin Chao, Commissioner of Foreign Affairs to the Canton Government paid a brief visit to Hong Kong yesterday. Arriving by the afternoon boat from Canton he proceeded immediately to Government House and had a lengthy interview with H.E. The Officer Administering the Government, the Hon. W. T. Southern, C.M.G.

Interviewed by a pressman Mr. Chu refused to make any statement as to the nature of his business in Hong Kong.

No reply, he said, had been received from Tokyo in answer to Canton's protest against Japan's action in Shantung.

Mr. Chu left for Canton yesterday by the night boat.

## PREVALENT INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

## DEVISING MEANS FOR PREVENTION.

## DR. KOCH'S SUGGESTIONS.

At the fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board this afternoon, Dr. W. V. M. Koch will move that the Authorities investigate the possibility of devising means for the prevention of infectious diseases prevailing in the Colony. Dr. Koch's resolution is worded as follows:—

"That this Board respectfully suggests to the Authorities the propriety of setting in action investigations into the possibility of devising means for the prevention of the prevalent infectious diseases, such as typhoid, malaria, tuberculosis, etc. It further suggests that such investigations might be undertaken by local medical men under the direction of the Government, and that their reports be published for the guidance of the community."

Other business which will come up for discussion is of a routine nature.

## CHINESE MERCHANT'S ESTATE.

## REQUESTS TO SON AND WIFE.

## ALLOWS NO PERSON TO INTERFERE.

A Chinese merchant who died on July 14th, 1927, and left local estate valued at \$472,000 said in his will that only his eldest son and widow should benefit and that no person is allowed to interfere.

The deceased's name was Au Man Kit, alias Au Pat Tsun. He was a native of the San Wui district and was in business in Hong Kong. He died at No. 31, Gilman's Bazaar, and the property which he left was all bequeathed to his eldest son, Ying Cheung, and his widow, Au Tang Shi.

## LAST NIGHT'S STORM.

The Royal Observatory weather forecast for yesterday "Some rain later," was amply justified. After a close and humid day rain started at about 9 p.m. There were a few short showers, and then at 10 p.m. the downpour started in earnest and was still going strongly at a late hour.

There was vivid and continuous sheet lightning—but the thunderstorm was well clear of Hong Kong. No damage was reported.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The weather report, forecast and remarks issued by the Royal Observatory, Hong Kong, at 4.50 p.m. yesterday state:—

Weak anti-cyclone nick areas are situated over North China and in the vicinity of the Bonin. Pressure is relatively lower over S. Manchuria, N. Japan and S.W. China.

Local forecast:—S.E. or variable winds, moderate, cloudy, rain later.

## POLICE FUNERAL.

## THE LATE LANCE SERGT. R. MCFADGEAN.

## BURIED AT HAPPY VALLEY.

The funeral of the late Mr. Robert McFadgean, Lance-Sergeant of the Hong Kong Police Force, took place at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, yesterday afternoon. The Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald officiated at the graveside.

Official honours were paid by members of the Police Force who were present in large numbers. Deceased's helmet, belt and bayonet were placed over the coffin, draped in a Union Jack, which was drawn on a gun carriage by a party of brother officers under Sergeant P. Condon, along Queen's Road to the last resting place. Among those present were the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G. (Captain Superintendent of Police), Mr. P. J. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E. (D.S.P.), Mr. W. Kent (A.S.P.), Chief Inspector Grant, Divisional Inspector Ogg, Inspectors Moss, Marks, Clark, Shannon, Murphy, Carpenter, Dick, Barnett, Cotton, Indian Inspector Mohinder Singh, Messrs. J. C. Fletcher, A. M. Simpson, J. A. Lindsay, G. Duncan, J. Willshire, A. W. Grimmit, representatives of the 2nd Battalion Scots Guards, Wardens and Government Departments, Mrs. Dick, Mrs. and Miss Oliver.

A wreath from "His Mother" was lowered into the grave. Other wreaths were sent by "Stiffy," Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Mr. Peter Grant, Mr. T. Murphy, Messrs. Spear and Pain, Cuff and Hatt, Mr. O'Donovan, Messrs. Munro, Griffin, Condon and Mist, W. G. Harrison, Brooks and Sherry, Wallingford and Banks.

Mr., Mrs. and Rosalie Ogg, Mr. and Mrs. H. Phillips, A. R. Clark, MacDonald, J. C. Clark, E. Bloor, R. Shannon, E. J. Field, Dick and family, Ellis, Carey, R. Cunningham, A. W. Bliss, F. C. Coleman, F. T. Portallion, Duncan, Lindsay and family, P. Oliver and Mary. Inspectors' Mess, Yaumati Police Station; European Staff, Police Training School; Sergeants' Mess, Yaumati Police Station, Shamshui-po Station, Shaikwan, No. 9 Station; Central Sergeants' Mess, Tai Ping Shan Mess, Police Mess No. 7, Central Traffic Staff, Record Office, Guards Office Staff, Royal Naval Yard Police, Fire Brigade Officers, Comrades of Sergeants' Mess.

Ex-Active Service Men's Association (1914-18); All Ranks Scottish Company, H.K.V.D.C., Mr. R. A. Cooper (N. Lazarus), Mr. Ismael Chan.

As announced yesterday, Mr. McFadgean died at the Government Civil Hospital on Sunday afternoon after a long illness. The deceased was 38 years of age, and was a native of Stevenson, Ayrshire. Much sympathy will be extended to his relatives in Scotland among whom are his mother and several brothers and sisters.

## SING SONG GIRL'S COMPLAINT.

## ALLEGED DEMAND FOR \$70 BY CHINESE BROKER.

## TWO SIDES OF A STORY.

So Fee Hung, a Chinese Sing Song girl, appeared as complainant before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy, the defendant being Yee Yau, a Chinese broker of Messrs. Kitting & Co. The girl alleged that the defendant accosted her at the Empress Hotel on April 30th and demanded that the sum of \$70 be paid to him in cash on the spot. She declared that he threatened to kill her if she refused. Another Chinese who was with her overheard the threat, and urged her to take proceedings against the defendant, who made off as soon as this suggestion was made. A search for the defendant proved useless, but he was arrested two days later.

Mr. A. E. Wadeson appeared on behalf of the complainant, while the defendant was represented by Mr. Hin Shing Lo.

(Continued on next Column).

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## LORD KNUTSFORD'S THANKS TO MISS VIOLET CAPELL.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR,—I am enclosing a copy of a letter which I have received from Viscount Knutsford with reference to the remittance I sent from the proceeds of my dancing displays given in February last.—Yours faithfully,

VIOLET CAPELL

London Hospital, Whitechapel, E1,  
11th April, 1928.

Dear Miss Capell,—Your "again" has given me very special pleasure. You kindly say that this further splendid gift gives you great pleasure to send, but I can assure you that my pleasure in receiving is as great or greater.

I cannot tell you how deeply indebted I feel to you for keeping this great hospital so much in your mind, and for interesting your pupils and friends to remember it in this most helpful fashion. I shall look forward to the photo and the programme.

I am so glad to hear from you that things in China are improving. It must have been a very difficult and terrible time for you all, but to try and read, with understanding, accounts of what has happened is, I am afraid, too much of a Chinese puzzle to most of us.

I am having a very busy time just now running one of the big fifth-yearly appeals which have been the tradition and salvation of the hospital for so many years. It is a very uphill task, for people seem to grow poorer as medicine grows more expensive.

Now—I ask with all diffidence—have you room on a table in the Academy for a copy of "In Black and White"—a tale of my evil life? I am sending it under separate cover. If you ever have a spare half-hour, it may amuse you to turn over some of its pages. Please believe me when I say that it comes as a trivial but very sincere appreciation of your splendid work for this great hospital.—Yours very truly,

(Sd.) KNUTSFORD.

## DONATION FROM ADVERTISING AND PUBLICITY BUREAU.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR,—I beg to acknowledge with many thanks the receipt of a cheque for \$100 sent through the medium of your esteemed paper by the Advertising and Publicity Bureau as a contribution towards the cost of the establishment of a school of Chinese at the University. The donation is appreciated and welcomed as a gesture of practical sympathy with the aims and ideals which the University is striving to realise.—Yours very truly,

W. B. FENNIGAN,

Registrar.

University of Hong Kong.

May 11th.

At the opening of the case, Mr. Wadeson asked his Worship to adjourn the case until a later date, so as to enable him to collect further evidence.

Mr. Lo, objected, remarking that it would not be fair to defendant.

Mr. Wadeson then asked for an adjournment for an hour, but this was also refused.

The case for the defence was that the defendant had associated with the complainant for several months. She phoned him on the day before the incident in question and arranged to meet him at the Tang Hin Restaurant, but she could not be found and had left a note asking where she would meet him later. The room was accordingly booked, but again the complainant did not appear.

The next day the defendant met her by chance at the Empress Hotel and asked for an explanation. The discussion which ensued ended in a quarrel. A man who knew complainant overheard the conversation and told the girl to take proceedings against defendant for demanding money and threatening to kill her. The case was adjourned until next Monday.



## JAPAN'S WISH FOR EARLY SETTLEMENT.

PEACE AGAIN ESTABLISHED IN TSINAN.

NAVAL ATTACK EXPECTED ON AMOY.

## RAPID SOUTHERN ADVANCE ON TIENTSIN.

The condition in Tsinan appears to be much improved and peace and order is restored. The Chinese Chamber of Commerce, working apparently to some extent under the advice of the Japanese Consul, has appointed General Tien, a late commander of gendarmerie, to be responsible for the maintenance of order and to search out all Southern soldiers who may still be hiding in the city.

The Japanese are eager for an early settlement of the affair, and are even prepared to withdraw a certain number of their troops, should conditions warrant this action, before the settlement has been effected. In this connection they consider the dismissal of General Ho Yao Tsu, who was in part responsible for the outrages, will greatly facilitate settlement.

Though an earlier message from Geneva stated that Japan was expected to submit her case to the League of Nations, the spokesman of the Japanese Foreign Office states that at present there is no intention of so doing, though later the Premier may consider the question.

In the Civil War, the Southerners are advancing northwards with great rapidity. Yen Hsi Shan, the Shansi Tapan, has cut across country at a surprising speed and captured Tsangchow, while Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang's troops are linking up with the Shansi army, and they are moving towards Tientsin. Firing can already be heard in the city. The foreign commanders, after some discussion, have decided to throw out a line of pickets at a radius of seven miles from the city.

The authorities at Amoy fully expect to be attacked by the Northern cruiser *Haichi* and other smaller vessels, and have made all possible preparations to resist. The Northerners are making use of the island of Quemoy as a base.

## SETTLE TSINAN AFFAIRS.

JAPAN'S EAGERNESS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Tokyo, May 14th.

The Foreign Office is anxious to open negotiations and to settle the Tsinan affair as soon as possible, but does not contemplate combining this with the settlement of the Nanking affair.

The spokesman of the Foreign Office intimated that, if the situation warrants, the Government may start withdrawing portions of the Japanese troops even before the settlement has been completed. Everything, however, must depend on circumstances.

Though the report that General Ho Yao Tsu, whose troops were responsible for the outrages, has been dismissed is not yet confirmed officially, it is considered that it will greatly facilitate negotiations if it is correct.

Commenting on the Geneva report that Japan was expected to explain her side of the story to the League, the spokesman stated that no such action was being considered at present.

He intimated that the Premier may discuss the question of the advisability of so doing.

## LEAGUE IN DIFFICULTIES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Geneva, May 13th.

The Chinese Nationalist Government protest to the League of Nations in regard to the Japanese occupation of Shantung, has caused something of a flutter in League circles, largely owing to the fact that the Nanking Government is not a Member of the League. Consequently, from the juridical point of view, the Nationalist appeal can have hardly any standing.

It is believed that Japan will also submit her case to the League and it is learned from a private source that Mr. Chen, the Chinese Minister to Paris, who is China's representative on the League Council, has applied to Peking for instructions regarding the attitude he should adopt at the forthcoming meeting of the Council, if the matter is discussed.

It is thought not unlikely that the Peking Government will associate itself with the Nanking appeal thus rendering it acceptable to the League Council, but it is felt that the whole thing will prove most embarrassing for the Council, and not likely to enhance its prestige.

Even should the Council decide to act, its means of action will be ineffectual as it will be impossible to define the aggressor.

Change of Public Opinion. [THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Tokyo, May 14th.

The newspapers unanimously urge the withdrawal of the Japanese troops as soon as possible, pointing out the gradual change of public opinion abroad, and therefore, advising that military operations in China be reduced to a minimum.

## NAVAL ATTACK ON AMOY. AUTHORITIES PREPARED TO RESIST.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Amoy, May 14th.

Semi-official reports state that the cruiser *Haichi* and two smaller warships have been joined by two transports outside.

The island of Quemoy outside the harbour, with an area of about 60 square miles, has been occupied as a base of operations against Amoy.

An attack is expected by the authorities, who will contest the entrance and have declared strict martial law. A naval engagement outside the harbour is possible.

The steamer *Yade* is still in port, unloading her arms cargo, and a small Southern gunboat is lying in shallow water at the back of the harbour.

Trade is normal, and the Japanese situation is unchanged.

## ADVANCE ON TIENTSIN. FOREIGN PREPARATIONS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Shanghai, May 14th.

While the capture of Tientsin on Friday by Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang's troops was not entirely unexpected in view of the Northerners' policy of falling back on Peking without offering resistance, the announcement by the Governor of Shansi, Yen Hsi Shan, that his troops have captured Tsangchow, midway between Tientsin and Tientsin, and that his men occupied the city on May 8th, is most surprising.

The fall of Tsangchow could only be accounted for by a spectacularly rapid advance from Shansi along the valley of the Ruto-ho River.

## Heavy Northern Losses.

This manoeuvre has resulted in cutting off the retreat of the Shantung-Chihli forces, and it is reported that the move has already been followed by a large quantity of arms and ammunition falling into the hands of the Shansi Army. They claim to have taken 7,000 prisoners, and to have seized large quantities of Northern war material.

The Southerners are now rapidly advancing on Tientsin, where they are expected to arrive to-morrow.

## Foreign Troops at Tientsin.

The foreign troops at Tientsin include 4,000 Americans, with twenty aeroplanes, five tanks, and five field guns, 1,000 Britishers, 3,000 French, and about 500 Japanese (most of the Japanese garrison having gone to Tientsin). The commanders of the foreign troops held a conference on Friday and there was some difference of opinion as to the measures to be taken.

## Defence of the City.

The Japanese Commander, Lieutenant General Arai, held out against the British, American, French and Italian commanders, but it was eventually decided to establish picket points within a radius of seven miles from Tientsin.

The Japanese troops are to be entrusted with the guarding of the most important points in the Tientsin Concessions, including the important East Railway Station, the junction of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway and the Peking-Mukden Railway.

## JAPANESE TROOPS IN TIENTSIN.

[Wah Ts Yat Pao.]

Shanghai, May 14th.

The Japanese Government has communicated a Note to the Nanking Government explaining their reasons for sending the third expeditionary force to China. In addition five companies of infantry will be sent to Tientsin to secure the safety of Japanese nationals there.

## NO NEWS FROM NORTH.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Shanghai, May 13th.

There is no news from the North to-day owing to the interruption of cables beyond Chefoo, which may last for three days.

## CRITICAL POSITION OF TIENTSIN.

[Wah Ts Yat Pao.]

Shanghai, May 14th.

In view of the critical condition Marshal Chang Tso Lin is reported to have moved to Tientsin from Peking early in the morning of the 13th inst.

Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang's troops are joining with Shansi forces in their advance northward along the Tientsin-Pukow Railway. Tientsin is practically surrounded from three directions, and firing can be heard in the city. In view of the seriousness of the situation foreign authorities have decided to run an international train between Peking and Tientsin in order to secure communication to the sea coast for the safety of foreigners.

## MILLIONAIRE'S LONG FLIGHT.

40,000-MILE TRIP.

VALET IN ATTENDANCE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

London, May 14th.

The Dutch-American millionaire, Mr. Van Learblack, left Croydon this morning in a hired Dutch Fokker monoplane. He took with him two pilots, a mechanic and a valet. He has set out on a 40,000-mile flight to Capetown, then to Tokyo, and back.

Dressed in an ordinary lounge suit and a trilby hat, Mr. Van Learblack strolled to the aerodrome and mounted the machine casually as though taking a motor trip.

His plans are to visit the centres of industries in which he is interested. He travels via Cairo both ways, branching off from there on the return journey to China and Japan.

## TSINAN FIGHTING.

PRAISE FOR JAPANESE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Shanghai, May 14th.

An English eyewitness at Tsinan praises the efficiency of the Japanese Expeditionary Force, firstly, for maintaining the Shantung Railway (from Tsinan to Tsingtao on the coast) which, at one time, had been cut in no less than eighteen places, secondly, for the Expedition's military dispositions, notably in cleaning up the Nationalists from Tsinan; also the enthusiasm with which 3,000 Japanese troops who confronted 100,000 Nationalists and boldly took the initiative, attacked and drove back the Nationalists wherever they were found within a zone of seven miles; and causing about 2,000 casualties.

The eyewitness saw bodies of mutilated Japanese civilians. A *General Dismissed*. He discredits Chinese official accounts of the mutilation and death of Mr. Tsai Kung Shih (the Nationalist Commissioner for Foreign Affairs at Tsinan) who is now believed to have been killed by machine-gun fire when he was with a detachment of Chinese troops endeavouring to recapture the Foreign Affairs Bureau.

It is noteworthy that the Nationalist Government Council has passed a resolution dismissing General Ho Yao Tsu whose army was implicated in the first clash with the Japanese at Tsinan.

## ATTACKING YANG SEN.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

May 13th.

A report from Chungking states that sixty junk loads of soldiers have left for down river and that Lin Hsiang and Ho Yu Ting are attacking Yang Sen. There is, however, no confirmation of actual fighting taking place.

The situation in other Yangtze ports remains unchanged.

## FRENCH FLIGHT TO TOKYO.

D'OLIVE REACHES CALCUTTA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Calcutta, May 14th.

Captain Pelletier D'Olive, who is flying from Paris to Tokyo, has arrived here.

## "POOH-BAH" RETIRES.

MR. LEO SHEFFIELD "FEELING STALE."

Gilbert and Sullivan enthusiasts will miss Mr. Leo Sheffield when next the D'O'Gry Carte Company pays one of its all-too-rare visits to London. He is leaving comic opera for film work, on the somewhat unusual grounds that he felt himself "getting a little stale."

All lovers of Savoy opera trust that when that feeling of staleness has worn off Mr. Sheffield will return to the parts with which he has been associated for so many years. His broad presence, rich voice, and a certain unctuousness of delivery make him an ideal impersonator of the roles of Poo-bah, the Grand Inquisitor, the Judge in "Trial by Jury," and the reformed wicked baronet in "Ruddigore," with that decorous *duet* and *pas de deux* and the murmurs of "Basingstoke." He has been a more than worthy successor to Mr. Rutland Barrington and Mr. Fred Billington, and, like so many Savoyards, was once a choir-boy.

## SOVIET WORKING IN LATVIA.

SECRETS GAINED FROM OFFICERS.

AIDE-DE-CAMP ARRESTED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Riga, May 14th.

The Latvian police have arrested Capt. Lange, Aide-de-Camp to the Soviet Military Attaché, on a charge of inducing Latvian officers to reveal military secrets.

A Latvian captain and a staff lieutenant have also been arrested.

## "FINEST TENOR SINCE CARUSO."

HIS TERMS TOO HIGH FOR COVENT GARDEN.

"The most wonderful Othello the world has ever heard" according to Captain Ingram, who married Caruso's widow, is waiting to be brought to England. Covent Garden have invited him, but not at a price that he will accept. His name is Antonio Trantoul, and he is a Frenchman. He is famous all over the Continent, yet few people in England have ever heard of him. Captain Ingram claims that he is the finest tenor since Caruso.

"I would not suggest that he is a second Caruso," said Captain Ingram to a *Daily Express* representative, because Caruso was a phenomenon. There will never be another. But I have heard all the world's greatest tenors, and I am convinced Trantoul is the greatest of them all.

## Hero of a City.

"He was unknown four years ago. Then Toscanini heard him sing, and took him to Milan, where he became the rage immediately. The Neapolitans, who are so intensely critical that they once hissed Caruso off the stage, asked him to go to Naples. He went there to sing Othello twice, and they made him the hero of the city."

"His Othello is simply marvellous. No Italian has ever sung the part with such power, such abandon, and such a magnificent voice. I am convinced that Londoners would go mad over him if they could hear him, but Covent Garden will not pay him as much as he thinks would be necessary to make it worth his while to come to England."

## PEER'S HEIR MARRIES BARMAN.

SECRET WEDDING OF YEAR AGO.

The marriage of the Hon. Otway Plunkett, son of Lord Louth, to Miss Ethel Molly Gallivan, of St. John's-road, Jersey, was revealed when the bride left the island to join her husband.

The Hon. Otway Plunkett left Jersey a few days ago. They were married on July 4th last year at St. Saviour's Church, Jersey.

The bride, who is in the early twenties, was for some time during the war employed as a telegraph messenger at the Jersey General Post Office and later as a barmaid at St. Helier.

The wedding ceremony was performed by the Rev. G. P. Balleine, rector of St. Saviour's, and the bride was given away by her father, who is employed as a dockerman by the Southern Railway, Jersey.

The Hon. Otway Plunkett was born on April 26th, 1892. He belongs to one of Ireland's most ancient families. The barony is more than 350 years old. His father, who is the 14th holder, was born in the yacht *Pilgrim*, off Dieppe, and *Pilgrim* is one of his Christian names.

A "NEW WEMBLEY."

CROWDS FLOCK TO SHOW THAT DID NOT OPEN.

John Clarkson, aged 52, otherwise Mark Eddy, was charged at Leeds with obtaining £100 by false pretences. A detective said that Clarkson took offices in Leeds and advertised extensively that there would be opened at Leeds what was described as "the Wembley of Yorkshire." The show was advertised to include a zoo, a circus, and native villages. Gangs of workmen were engaged erecting huts and Clarkson received numerous and substantial sums of money from various people for stands in the show. Many people invested money, but in May the office was closed and Clarkson disappeared. In June, when the show was advertised to open, crowds of people went to the place, but the show was never opened and artists who had come from all parts of the world to take part in it were stranded in Leeds. Clarkson was remanded.

## AUSTRALIA TO SINGAPORE.

1,900-MILE FLIGHT ABANDONED.

PETROL TOO HEAVY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Canberra, May 13th.

Wing-Commander Wackett, who arrived at Port Darwin recently in an amphibian *Widgeon* aeroplane on a flight to Singapore, had difficulty in rising owing to the weight of fuel necessary for the 1,900-mile hop to Singapore.

He has, therefore, been ordered to abandon the attempt and to join the four Royal Air Force flying-boats, which recently flew from Southampton to Singapore.

Wing-Commander Wackett is now proceeding to Broome to meet the Royal Air Force squadron there as the representative of the Australian Air Force.

## CABINET MINISTERS AS JOURNALISTS.

LORD BIRKENHEAD AND MR. CHURCHILL.

THE PREMIER AND A BAN.

Public writing by members of the Government, upon which a ruling has already been given by the Prime Minister, Mr. Baldwin, are again likely to be discussed in Parliament as a result of the literary activities of the Earl of Birkenhead, the Secretary for India, and Mr. Winston Churchill, the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Lord Birkenhead has recently contributed an article to *Good Housekeeping* on "This Intrusion of Women." The article, it is stated, is an extract from a forthcoming volume of essays by Lord Birkenhead. It is understood that he has at least one other article in preparation for the July number of a magazine.

## Thousands of Pounds.

Mr. Churchill has signed a contract to write twelve articles for a magazine under the title, "Personages I Have Known." One gathers that Mr. Churchill will receive several thousands of pounds.

In the House of Commons on March 3rd, 1927, Mr. Baldwin stated that the rules the Government have adopted preclude the practice of journalism by Ministers. He added that this inhibition did not extend to authorship or to writings of a literary, historical, scientific, philosophical, or romantic character, for which there existed numerous and respectable precedents.

I am informed, says a *Daily Mail* correspondent, that both Lord Birkenhead and Mr. Churchill consider that the magazine articles for which they will be responsible fall within the category of those referred to by the Prime Minister as permissible. There is little doubt, however, that certain active members of Parliament will once again raise the point in the House.

## NEW CONQUEST OF DISEASE.

CURE WITHOUT THE SURGEON'S KNIFE.

A method of curing ulceration of the stomach and duodenum (that part of the intestine which comes immediately after the stomach) without recourse to the surgeon's knife is described in the "British Medical Journal."

The amount of pain and disability in Great Britain due to this complaint is very great, and not only shows no sign of decreasing, but, on the contrary, seems to be fostered and increased by modern modes of life.

That these troubles could be in many cases relieved by an abdominal operation has been known and the knowledge acted on for some years. The operation, however, was no simple affair, and was sometimes followed by troubles of its own.

It is a great step forward therefore when a method is devised by which the use of the knife is obviated. The new method involves about a week's confinement to bed on a limited liquid diet and the taking of certain simple alkali remedies in large quantities.

Hundreds of patients have been treated with success in St. James' Hospital. In no case has an operation become necessary, and so far the ulcers when cured have shown no tendency to come back. If the patient observes certain plain and easily followed rules of diet. Both the trouble and its cure can be demonstrated by X-ray pictures.

## JAPANESE NAVAL VISITORS.

ENTERTAINED AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

VICE-ADMIRAL'S OFFICIAL LANDING.

Vice-Admiral Seizo Kobayashi, commanding the two Japanese training cruisers now visiting Hong Kong made an official landing yesterday at Queen's Pier. A guard of honour was provided by the Scots Guards and Capt. A. J. L. Whyte, representing H.E. the Officer Administering the Government and Mr. Y. Murakami, Consul-General for Japan, were at the Pier.

Vice-Admiral Kobayashi after inspecting the guard of honour paid an official call at Government House accompanied by his staff. Later in the day H.E. the Officer Administering the Government returned the visit on board the flagship *Idzumo*.

The visitors were guests at a dinner given at Government House last night and Vice-Admiral Kobayashi is giving a dinner on board the flagship to-night.

A dinner was also given by the Japanese Consul General on Sunday night at the Hong Kong Hotel in honour of the visit of the two training cruisers, and among the prominent guests invited were H.E. the Officer Administering the Government, H.E. Major-General C. C. Luard (G.O.C.), Sir Henry Gollan, Commodore J. L. Pearson, Sir Shou Son Chow and other members of the Legislative and Executive Councils.

## The Two Cruisers.

H.L.J.M.'s *Idzumo* and *Yakumo* were formerly in the Russian Navy. Both vessels have a personnel of 104 officers, 106 midshipmen who are under training, and 1,055 men. Shore leave was granted to the men on Sunday and yesterday and among the many places the sailors have visited were the Orient Tobacco Factory, the Hong Kong University and the Taiako Dockyard.

## The Officers.

Among the officers on board the *Idzumo* is Prince Takamatsu, who is serving as a Lieutenant. Other officers are:—Capt. R. Mituoka, Capt. M. Takai, Capt. M. Shinjo, Comdr. H. Mito, Lt.-Comdr. H. Kurose, Lt.-Comdr. T. Mihara, Capt. M. Idemitsu, Comdr. F. Shikahara, Lt.-Comdr. S. Tashiro, Lt.-Comdr. S. Morino, Lt.-Comdr. T. Hirai, Lt.-Comdr. Y. Okada, Lt.-Comdr. H. Hamano, Lt.-Comdr. S. Inouye, Capt. Y. Hirota, Comdr. K. Waki, Lt.-Comdr. S. Hamada, and Lt.-Commander N. Kobayashi.

## Leaving to-morrow.

The *Idzumo* and the *Yakumo* are leaving the Colony to-morrow for Manila. From there they will call at Singapore, Batavia, Sourabaya, Freemantle, Melbourne, Hobart, Sydney, Wellington, Oakland, Suba, Honolulu, Jaluit, Trak, Papea, Tokuyama, and return to Japan on November 3rd.

## ESCAPED BEAR PANIC.

CAUGHT BY WOMAN TRAINER AT RAILWAY STATION.

BUDAPEST.

There was a wild panic at the Western railway terminus at Budapest when a large brown bear suddenly appeared upon a crowded platform and ambled along it, baring its teeth and growling fiercely.

People rushed screaming and shouting towards the barriers, and many fell and were trampled.

It seemed disposed to be really spiteful, when a young woman, holding aloft a short dog whip, ran boldly towards the bear, crying imperiously, "Come here at once." The bear obeyed without demur, rolling its head submissively. The animal belonged to a travelling circus, and with others had been brought to Budapest in two vans attached to a passenger train. There were fortunately no serious casualties; the woman trainer, who was travelling in a carriage at the front of the train, having been warned in time of the bear's escape.



## GOLF NOTES.

(By R.H.H.)

On both the old and new courses at Fanning the holes had been moved to the dressed parts of the green some time before last Saturday. The result was really rather refreshing. For the first few holes one hit the putts just about half way to the pin; and then, with the determination of a strong man, crashed the next one almost off the green. After one got the strength of the green, things were really pretty easy, and there was very little of running out of holding distance. The dressing has brought up a thick bed of grass, so still that, though the greens are still hard, they were slow to pitch on as well as for the putting.

After the very fast greens over which we have had to play through the winter, these new conditions naturally came as a surprise. On the other hand one had no cause to grumble, for they were playing perfectly true. The greens in fact were very little different from those on a large number of good inland courses at home; it was the suddenness of the change which made them remarkable, not the conditions of the greens themselves.

The piece of ground which forms the second part of the dog-legged 11th, and which runs from the bank across the fairway to the green, is I suppose about the most unsatisfactory bit of turf on the course. What causes the difference in texture, compared with the rest of the course, of this fairway and green I do not know. It is good to see that the committee are really taking this in hand. May they succeed. At present this part of the 11th fairway has a thick top dressing of sand. It is annoying to see a perfectly struck second send up a cloud of sand and stop dead in a yard, instead of running on to the green, but it is all for our ultimate good.

In this the committee often fail to gain their just reward. On a golf course, which is open from one year's end to another, the committee is always finding it necessary to do evil that good may come. For the evil, which emphasises the weaknesses of players, they are blamed, as is the way always towards committees, those curiously impersonal bodies made up of well-known individuals. But once the good for which they have laboured has been achieved it ministers to the strength and not the weakness of the player. Not one hears of how I hit a peach of a second, which could not be finished anywhere else, but alongside the hole it had tried. Never then does one give a thought to the careful preparation, which allows one to feel comparative certainty of result once the shot has been well and truly struck.

The other courses are coming more and more into prominence as it begins to get hotter. To judge from the stately emptiness of Fanning, and a starting list which only extends to half an hour, one had pictured Lee Water Bay as something like the rush hour at an underground booking office: there might even be a notice on each tee to say "Bright figures save time." As a matter of fact, last Sunday at least, all this was far from the case, and there were not very many players. This does not mean that the course was by any means empty, but it was not unpleasantly crowded, which was really a little surprising considering its size. It seemed to be playing pretty well too, and the greens, though rather patchy, were true and not too terribly fast. All of which, with a cool breeze off the sea added, seems to show that one need look no further for a comparatively idle and very pleasant day.

Happy Valley, too, is looking quite its best just at present, though of course it is rather warm there. The turf there has always been good and the recent rain has just revived the worn patches, and put the whole place in excellent condition. The new motor mower, if one may say so without being misunderstood, is working like a Trojan, and its daily mileage must be quite considerable. As a result, the turf is firm and close and lies are excellent and there is no reason for ever missing a shot here. The course is too flat and there is too much room for it ever to become frightfully exciting in itself, but, such as it is, it is at present about as good as it could be.

The Open Championship has again gone to an American, following the rather depressing habit which it has developed of late years. This only goes to show what a magnificent golfer Walter Hagen is. With rounds of 75, 73, 72, 72, played in that order over a links like Sandwich, he deserves the Championship is ever man did. To be beaten by 18 and 17 a day or two before an event like this would completely wreck a man's career; not so Hagen, who quite candidly admitted that his trouncing by Compton had done him a lot of good. Compton is clearly becoming more and more a power in the land as his figures 75, 74, 73, 72 go to show, and the date cannot

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## GOAT RACING.

A NEW "SPORT."

HELD TO BE ILLEGAL IN AUSTRALIA.

A curious new form of sport, "trotting races" for goats has received a set back in the Commonwealth of Australia. An unsympathetic magistrate declared it illegal and a higher court upheld him.

Judge Edwards, says the *Sydney Bulletin*, in the Quarter Sessions Appeal Court, upheld the decision of Mr. Longfield, S.M., who, at the Central Police Court on February 9th, fined Edward Robert Marie, organiser of the Cooee City Carnival, for having committed a breach of the Dog and Goat Act.

The prosecution arose out of a series of goat races, the animals being harnessed to light gigs or racing sulky. It was contended that the use of goats for drawing "carts" was expressly forbidden by the Act. Marie was convicted and a nominal fine with costs was imposed.

Marie appealed against the conviction. In support of the appeal, Mr. W. S. Gee contended that the offence complained of did not come within the meaning of the mischief contemplated by the Act, and that by the use of the words "for the purposes of draught" in the heading of the section, the Legislature contemplated the drawing of heavy vehicles. He added that the popular meaning of the word "cart" did not apply to the racing gig.

His Honour held that the word "cart" was wide enough to include the vehicles used in goat racing. He dismissed the appeal and allowed £3/3 costs against the appellant.

## REMARKABLE BLACK ATHLETES.

SOME RECENT ACHIEVEMENTS.

(By F. A. M. WEBSTER, The Well-known Athletic Expert.)

Is the Negro to be the athlete of the future? One is almost tempted to answer "Yes."

Thirty-four years ago that great all-round sportsman C. B. Fry created a world's long jump record of 23ft. 9in. Between 1901 and 1919 the Irishman P. J. O'Connor and an American, A. L. Guterson, failed only by a fraction of an inch to reach 25ft.

Since 1921 three American Negroes and an Haitian native have beaten 25ft., but only one white man, Robert Legendre, of the 1924 American Olympic team, has achieved such a feat. And recently de Hart Hubbard, a diminutive American Negro, who is thirty-four years of age, accomplished the incredible long jump of 26ft. 2in. Hubbard is also a first-class hurdler and capable of beating 10 seconds for 100 yards on the flat.

Two of the best sprinters England has ever had are H. F. V. Edwards, of the West Indies, and J. E. London, of British Guiana. The latter is also an exceptionally fine high jumper.

In Africa I have seen barefooted natives run at such a speed and jump to such a height and distance that I hesitate to give even approximate figures; and I have seen men of the Central African tribes run amazingly long distances without showing the slightest distress. A championship meeting open to Africans or African-born white men is to be held two years hence, and I think there will be some surprises. Meantime the African as an athlete is only just beginning to develop.

America has made full use of her coloured talent, but the only coloured man I ever remember seeing at an Olympiad as a representative of England was H. F. V. Edwards at Antwerp.

Despite the extraordinary ability of the Scandinavian javelin throwers, I can well imagine that the might produce some Zulu, trained under the eye of the tribal spear-master, who would make even the present record of 218ft. 7in. of H. Lindstrom, of Sweden, look quite insignificant.

be very far distant when the Championship goes to him. He is playing in the American Championship in June, and is full of hope, but somehow more than anything else one would like to see our own Championship won by a British player.

The Open Championship is over, but it is still a busy time for the home golfer, and a number of foreign ones too. Yesterday at Ladies' Championship started at Hunstanton, and it will be interesting to see if the British ladies, presumably without the help of Miss Wethered or Miss Leitch, can manage to take the Championship from Mlle. Simone de la Chaume, and her compatriots. Then on the 21st is the Amateur Championship at Prestwick, with a very open field and a good chance for one of the younger players to snatch fame, if only the occasion is not too much for him.

## ENGLISH CRICKET PROSPECTS.

VISITORS FROM WEST INDIES.

THE BIG THREE OF THE COUNTIES.

(By H. J. HENLEY.)

In addition to the county championship there will be present to give an added flavour to this season of 1928 the visit of the West Indian team.

That the men of sunnier islands than our own have done exceedingly well against English touring sides of recent years need not be taken too seriously.

Those touring teams have been unofficial and rather of a picnic character. Yet there is reason to believe that the West Indians—that attractive combination of black and white—will prove themselves worthy to have been given Test match fixtures on our grounds for the first time in cricket's history.

The last West Indies team came here in 1924, and when once the chill winds of an early summer cruelly cold—so cold that it was pathetic to see the coloured men shiver in the northern blast as they awaited their innings—had departed they played very interesting cricket indeed.

A new generation has arisen in the meantime. Those of us who stay at home know the character of West Indian cricket only from hearsay. But there is much reason to believe that the side from overseas will show a knowledge of how to hit the ball and of how to field it—especially of how to field it.

## The Counties.

Now let us turn to the prospects of our counties.

Every county secretary seems to be bubbling with optimism—which, of course, is the spirit with which to achieve success. Even those whose clubs were financially embarrassed by last season's dreadful weather are full of confidence of a turn in the financial tide.

Most people who know the difference between a bat and a banjo will remember that Lancashire have headed the counties two years in succession. And there is nothing better than championship success to increase a membership and to attract a crowd.

Lancashire last season won only 10 matches out of 28, but the weather was often against all chance of a definite result, and even when their opponents scored largely the team were always exceedingly difficult to beat. The fact that they were defeated only once proves this.

It is anticipated that the team will be composed largely on the lines of last season. Hallows and Ernest Tyldesley are still of an age when no falling off of form is likely; but, as is the case in most counties, young players of Lancashire are still slow to develop. This applies particularly to the bowling. But there is still time for Sibbles and Iddon to live up to earlier promise.

## Good News From Nottingham.

Bright news comes from the Nottingham secretary, whose county lost the championship by less than a point in 1927.

A. W. Carr, cheeriest of leaders, will again be captain and, may be expected to make more runs than was the case last year, when his batting average was well below 20. The gods were not kind to him in a summer of freezing rains.

Larwood and Lilley, both handicapped by injuries last season, are, I am officially informed, "fit and well and are expected to take their regular places in the side."

In addition George Gunn and Payton—splendid veterans—are described as being "as fit as ever," and all of the other established players will be available.

Among the youngsters of most promise are mentioned Shipston, G. V. Gunn, Coopley, and Keeton—all batsmen—and Voe and Robinson, who are left-handed bowlers.

Altogether Nottingham are strong favourites for the championship. Yorkshire finished third among the counties last year, and it said much for their fame that such a position was considered unworthy of them.

Yet the fact that they drew as many as 18 of their 32 matches suggested that the creeping paralysis of "safety first" was affecting their cricket.

None the less, all promises well—especially now that the troublesome question of "Who shall be captain" has been decided. Still, once more the county have been forced to choose a leader who is a stranger to first-class cricket. But the new skipper, W. Worsley, is already getting into touch with his men at indoor practice.

The secretary writes: "Rhodes is still in the best of form. It would not surprise anyone to see him once again score 1,000 runs and get 100 wickets." All the other players are fit.

During April nearly a hundred young Yorkshire players will undergo an examination under the keen blue eye of George Hirst. Nothing, indeed, has been left undone to bring forward and to encourage the youth of the county.

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## LAWN TENNIS IN ENGLAND.

MISS NUTHALL AT HER BEST.

TWO BRITISH HOPES.

(By STANLEY N. DOUST.)

Miss Betty Nuthall, who is yet only 16 years of age, achieved the greatest success of her career when she defeated Mrs. Watson in the final of the women's singles in the Felixstowe open lawn tennis tournament by 2-6, 6-2, 7-6.

This result is not only encouraging to Miss Nuthall but it gives the greatest hope to Great Britain in the forthcoming Wightman Cup match against America in June. Mrs. Watson on the previous day had defeated Miss Ryan, who, if ranked, would be placed next to Miss Helen Wills as America's second best player.

Miss Nuthall beat Mrs. Watson by the narrowest margin, but the close struggle proves Miss Nuthall, in spite of her youth, to be a very great match player.

She believes in aggression—like Mrs. Watson—a refreshing change to some of our men players. Both these women players aim to hit the ball not only hard but to the extreme limits of the court.

True, in the first two sets Miss Nuthall was apt to overdo the attempt to make winners off almost every ball that came her way. She took too much risk. But that is her method, and for one, would rather see this young English woman go out for her shots than attempt to play for safety.

After losing the first set by 6-3 she found her length and accuracy. She drove much too hard for Mrs. Watson in the second set and took it at the same score.

## Good Overhead Service.

In the final set Mrs. Watson played exceptionally well for a period, during which she went to 2-2. She was within a point of 3-2 on her own service when she delivered a double fault.

In the eighth game of the final set—the most critical of the match—both women had the advantage point 5 times. To Mrs. Watson it meant a 5-3 lead if she won it, and to Miss Nuthall the winning of that game meant levelling the score at 4-4.

The struggle for this important game was a close one. The younger player saved that game point three times by wonderful drives without the semblance of their being flukes. She won the ninth game, which gave her the lead for the first time in the match.

Mrs. Watson thoroughly deserved the tenth game, because of the placements she made. "But in the last two games for the match Miss Nuthall outdressed and outmanoeuvred her opponent, and thus won a victory that must place her in the Wightman Cup team. There is no doubt that in Mrs. Watson and Miss Nuthall we have the nucleus of a team to win back that cup for Britain.

During the match Miss Nuthall used the overhead service entirely. During the first two sets she served a number of double faults, but in the long third set she never delivered a double fault, and indeed served a number of outright winners. Hers is a good service, beautifully delivered and with any amount of speed.—*Daily Mail*.

## DAVIS CUP TENNIS.

NEW ZEALAND'S WIN.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LISBON, May 13th.

New Zealand has eliminated Portugal from the Davis Cup Competition.

The tie was played here, and New Zealand won by four matches to one.

## OPEN CHAMPION BEATEN.

BOOMER WINS FROM HAGEN.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

PARIS, May 13th.

In a 36-hole exhibition match at the St. Cloud Golf Club to-day, Aubrey Boomer, the St. Cloud professional, defeated Walter Hagen, the British Open Champion, by three up and two to play.

## TENNIS-PLAYING 'ARMIES.

ENGLAND LEADS WITH A TOTAL OF 250,000.

England has 250,000 tennis players.

This is according to International Lawn Tennis Association figures as quoted by the *Berlin Vossische Zeitung*.

England thus has the largest league of tennis players in the L.T.A. The figures for the other countries are:—

Group I.—Germany 85,000; U.S.A. 80,000; Australia 80,000; Group II.—New Zealand 25,540; Canada 24,100; South Africa 19,250; Group III.—Italy 15,000; Czechoslovakia 12,700; Belgium 12,000; Holland 8,750; Denmark 8,900.—*British United Press*.

It is interesting to find that a good proportion of the clubs to be tried are left-handed bowlers. Yorkshire have for years been exceedingly rich in their left-handers.—*Daily Mail*.

## GARDENING BY ELECTRICITY.

CURRENT USED AS A FERTILISER.

FOUR CROPS A YEAR.

DOVAL.

Gardening with electricity instead of with chemical fertiliser is the latest form of intensive culture, adopted in France.

Tests which will last throughout the summer are being carried out officially at the Agricultural School at Waggonville near here for the enlightenment of the Government. A simple electrical apparatus is used which, it is claimed, makes all kinds of vegetables and fruit grow to three times their usual size in a quarter the normal time. In other words, subject to favourable temperature conditions, bumper crops can be produced from the same land four times a year.

Not only is the electric fertiliser most efficient in stimulating the growth of foodstuffs but also of such important industrial products as cotton. If the tests prove convincing it is proposed to apply the method for the intensification of the cotton crops in the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan.

I was shown, writes a *Daily Mail* correspondent, the complete installation by M. Tendard, director of the Waggonville Agricultural School, which ranks second in France after the famous school at Orignac. Two large plots of land situated side by side have been set aside for test. One is fertilised with manure and chemical fertiliser and the other by the electric fertiliser. The principle of the electric fertiliser is simple. At one end of the field, at a point facing approximately the Magnetic North, a small instrument is buried a little more than a foot deep. Its role is to collect some of the telluric currents which circulate through the earth's crust.

## Secret Transformer.

At the opposite, or southern, extremity of the field, is a transformer, the secret of which is jealously guarded, also embedded in the soil at the foot of a pylon some 20ft. high, which is surmounted by a fringe of metal prongs directed southwards. Beneath the soil connecting the northern and southern extremities of the field runs a buried wire.

"We obtain a current varying from 6 to 9 volts," said M. Tendard, "and we can light a lamp with it. But its most important application is to fruit trees, vegetables and vines, though later on it may prove

(Continued on next column.)

## BULL FIGHTING IN SPAIN.

BEING OUSTED BY BRITISH SPORT.

Visitors from Spain report that the day of the Spanish bull-ring is long past its meridian, and say that, if not this generation, probably the next will speak of bull-fighting as an anachronism.

The increasing interest of the youth of Spain in British sports, such as tennis and football, has had an appreciable influence upon the public attitude towards the old national pastime. There is, however, another, and a more subtle, reason for this suggested distaste for the bull-ring. I am told that the breeding of bulls in Spain has now resulted in the animals having a longer growth of horn.

This is a sinister matter for the matador—the Spanish darling of the gods—who has to dispatch the bull with a single sword-thrust, and the change has so reduced his margin of safety that the valour and enthusiasm of the aspirant matadors is declared to be on the wane.

## £12,000 TO RESTORE ANTWERP TOWER.

BRUSSELS.

About £12,000 is to be spent on restoring the tower of Notre Dame Cathedral, Antwerp, and the work will take two years. First the staircase leading from the second gallery to the crown, with its 97 steps, 8 pillars, 4 pinnacles and supporting arches, is to be demolished and reconstructed.

Notre Dame Cathedral, the building of which was commenced in 1339 and completed in the beginning of the 17th century, has a spire 402ft. high, the top of which may be reached by climbing 713 stairs. It was originally intended that there should be two towers of equal height, but the southern one never got beyond about 136ft.

of immense use in increasing crops such as cotton. Some of the vegetables produced during tests in Normandy have given extraordinary results, as have also tests carried out in Germany and in Norway.

"The apparatus is cheap to construct—it costs, all told, only a little more than 10 guineas—and it can be erected anywhere in a couple of days. When the summer ends I shall have prepared a detailed report on its working for the use of the Ministry of Agriculture."

## FORTUNE-TELLER'S GOOD GUESS.

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PERNICIOUS "PROPHECYING."

Mme. Jasta, aged 43, of Railway approach, Shepherd's Bush, W., was charged at Marylebone with professing to tell fortunes.

Mr. Melville, prosecuting, said that the woman used to carry on business at the Archer, Shepherd's Bush, but gave that up. An appointment was made with her to attend at a house in Queen Anne-street, W., to tell the fortunes of two police-women. She told one of them that she went to 'houses because the police would be after her if she did it in her own home. She also said she was under the impression that if she gave her visitors a charm worth a penny or two she was free to tell their fortunes.

To Police-Sergeant Mabel Pearson she said: "You will meet a dark man who will finance you in business, and in six months you will be worth quite a lot of money. You will come into a large sum."

The mischievous part of her statement was that she told the sergeant that her husband was truer than she; that there was a fair woman who visited her who would cause a lot of mischief; that she might expect three children, two sons and a daughter; that she would take up with a particularly dark man and turn her back on her husband for a time, and that she kept her husband only because she was a born actress.

## Very Vicious.

Mr. Hay Halkett, the magistrate, said that was very vicious, as was also a reference to a man named Jim coming again into her life.

Mr. Melville said that to another policewoman Mme. Jasta foretold the death of her brother's wife. Her charges were for a reading by hand and cards and another for a reading by crystal.

When Mr. Hay Halkett said she would be fined £7, with 23 shillings, it was stated that the woman had foretold the amount within 3s.

Mr. Hay Halkett: This is very amusing and seems to show that there is something in her art.



## 'Four Sandy Macs please'

'Scotch?' echoed the Clever One in the Bar, 'surely you know you should say 'Scottish'.'

'You try asking for 'A Scottish and Soda' and see what happens!' said the Plain One.

'You're both wrong' volunteered the Third One 'you should say 'Scots'.'

'It's all the same anyway' said the Plain One.

'Precisely' murmured the Old One, 'which is why you're all wrong—you should ask for Four Sandy Macs, please.'

'Thanks!' 'Thanks!' 'Thanks!'

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### HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, May 14th.

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer...	29.78	29.83	29.72
Temperature...	86	82	85
Humidity...	70	74	78
Wind...	SSE	SW	SW
Force...	3	2	3
Weather...	C	OD	OQ
Rain...	0.00	0.0	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature, 18th: 86  
Lowest open-air Temperature, 14th: 81

Wind-Blue sky; C-Cloudy; D-Drizzle; F-Fog; L-Lightning; M-Mist; O-Overcast; P-Passing showers; Q-Squalls; R-Rain; T-Thunder.

### HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From May 16th to 21st, 1928.

High Water. Low Water.

Day	Time	Height	Day	Time	Height
Tue. 16	6:53	4.8	Mon. 21	9:48	7.8
Wed. 17	7:11	5.4			
Thur. 18	7:33	6.0			
Fri. 19	8:1	6.6			
Sat. 20	8:34	7.2			
Sun. 21	9:10	7.8			
Mon. 22	9:48	8.4			

## SOLDIER'S LIFE FOR A CHILD'S.

### LINER DIVE TO THE RESCUE.

"DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME;  
SAVE HER."

Passengers in the P. & O. liner *Kaiser-i-Hind*, in the Thames off Tilbury Dock, who had rushed to the rails on hearing that a little girl had fallen overboard, saw a soldier who had bravely leaped in to her rescue down.

The child was saved by the second mate of a tug, who dived into the water and restored her to her anguished parents in the liner.

The drama occurred as the liner left the docks for Bombay. There was a sudden cry of "Somebody overboard!" and the passengers rushed to the side. In the water they saw a child floating, and a few seconds later there was a splash as a soldier jumped off the liner to rescue her.

#### Little Girl's Rescue.

At the same moment the tug *Kenia*, of Gravesend, which was in attendance on the liner, moved towards the girl.

Describing what followed, an eyewitness said:-

As the tug drew near the man, who had been swimming strongly, he cried out, "Don't worry about me, save the child."

The *Kenia* drew near to the child, and the second mate, Mr. Russell, dived overboard and swam to her. Holding her in his arms, he swam back to the tug and was hauled on board.

Meanwhile the soldier had caught hold of a rope which had been thrown to him from the *Kaiser-i-Hind*. He clung to it, and there appeared to be no question of his safety.

A rowing-boat came close to him to pick him up and he released his hold of the rope, apparently with the intention of swimming to the boat.

To the horror of the passengers, who were now crowded along the rails, he sank as soon as he let go and never appeared again. A search was made for him but without success.

According to another account the soldier jumped from the top deck of the liner, which is about 30ft. above the water-line, and fell rather awkwardly.

The girl was transferred from the tug to the liner, which had dropped anchor, and after a brief wait the vessel steamed down the river towards the sea.

A report from the liner states that the soldier was Corp. Thomas Flaherty, of the Royal Army Service Corps.

He was married only a month ago and intended making arrangements for his wife to join him.

Mrs. Flaherty lives at Routham-road, Gravesend, which is close to the spot where the tragedy occurred.

### ADMIRAL STURDEE'S SON.

#### CAPTAIN OF H.M.S. "ASSISTANCE."

A great naval name of the war is recalled by the appointment to H.M.S. *Assistance*, in command, of Captain Sir L. A. D. Sturdee, son of the late Admiral-of-the-Fleet Sir Doveton Sturdee.

Captain Sturdee has specialised in submarines, serving during the war in the submarines attached to H.M. ships *Porpoise* and *Haidard*. He was in command of the latter when the hospital ship *Anglia* was mined in 1916, and his rescue work on that occasion was so successful that he received the thanks of the Army Council.

His first big ship was the battleship *Colossus*, of which he became torpedo officer, and, about the time of the Armistice, commander, and his first command was the cruiser *Cathope*, when he went to the Far East with relief after an overhaul which cost £150,000.

*Assistance* is a repair ship, thirty years old, and is practically a floating workshop. She is now in the Mediterranean.

### STAMPEDE FROM SNAKE.

#### BOA CONSTRICTOR AMONG BUDAPEST BANANAS.

BUDAPEST. While unpacking banana crates just arrived from Jamaica, Alexander Barst was scared stiff on finding a boa constrictor a yard long curled amid the bunches.

He fled into the street. The frightened snake reared its head and darted for a hiding place, but a stampede emptied the banana warehouse in two minutes.

A Budapest Zoo keeper was sent for, and the snake is now in the reptile house. The Zoo director, officer of 30s. for the snake was gladly accepted by the banana company. Barst, who is still seeing snakes, remains in a sanatorium.

## SUCCESSFUL WOMEN.

### THEIR ENEMIES.

#### THE OTHER WOMAN'S HUSBAND.

[BY DOROTHY BLACK.]

No woman who makes an income running into four figures can hope to have many women friends. Someone told me that years ago, and I did not believe it then. But the statement rings true to those who, aware they have the knack of doing something well, have stuck at it until they have succeeded.

Perhaps the greatest and most unconscious enemy of the successful woman is the Other Woman's Husband—that hearty and blithe fellow who says: "I hear you make a large income of your own in your spare moments, Miss Dash. Now, Myrtle, my dear, why can't you do something of the sort?"

So Myrtle, who might have been our friend, is lost to us. She will go for ever with that shaft in her poor pride, hating us in her heart. Useless to grieve over her, or, indeed, to think about her any more. She can never be won after that.

Then again, to be successful is to be open to suspicion of being clever, although in a great many cases it is all a matter of industry and seizing those opportunities all of us get and so many of us let pass by. Cleverness is the hardest of all things to live down. Man will forgive a woman anything but that she may perhaps catch him out over a Latin quotation. No happy futile moments are allowed to the woman labouring under the suspicion of possessing brains. A dark significance is laid on everything she says or does. There is only one servicable cleverness for women to cultivate, and that is the ability to disguise it.

#### People Dislike Cleverness.

Not only do people dislike cleverness, they distrust it. They are not sure that, after all, the whole business is not a trick. People are loath to believe in the just reward of labour. A few noble souls there are who realise that an actress may be successful because she can act and has worked hard, and has gone where she is through talent alone. There will always be head-shakings and whispered stories, and the subtle suggestion that if we had been prepared to stoop to the same depths.

Then comes the large class of slightly scornful people who would like you to understand that it is not that they could not have done just the same themselves, but it is beneath their dignity. They have every technique at their fingertips, but consider all that kind of thing unworthy of them. Success in one person has a way of making it clear that it works in others, which is one reason why a successful woman does not have regiments of friends. Hard to bear with, also, is the kindly old party who says, "Ah, dear Miss Dash, I see you have been lucky again."

But it is not an entirely one-sided affair. Those who achieve anything at all must become a little hardened and a little intolerant in the process. Their attitude towards their fellow creatures is perhaps a trifle off-hand.

Success or popularity—which would you choose? Success wins every time. One real friend, rather than a dozen acquaintances. The successful woman's friends are perhaps few, but they are always lasting ones.

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HAIKOW, PAKHOI & HAIKOW	"NANSHAN"	On 16th May	10 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"TEAN"	On 17th May	10 a.m.
WHAMPOA, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"LINAN"	On 17th May	Noon
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"KUBICHOV"	On 18th May	4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SOOCHOW"	On 19th May	6 a.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANKING"	On 20th May	9 a.m.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KALGAN"	On 20th May	Noon
SWATOW, SHANGHAI, NEW CHOWANG & DALRY	"KANOHOW"	On 20th May	Noon
AMOI, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SINKIANG"	On 21st May	6 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"HUPER"	On 23rd May	6 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	On 24th May	Noon
SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SZECHOWEN"	On 26th May	6 a.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANTUNG"	On 27th May	6 a.m.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"WANGOHOW"	On 27th May	Noon
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## Shipping News Arrivals and Departures, etc.

### ARRIVALS.

May 15th.  
*Atika Maru*, Japanese str., 2,315 tons, Capt. Y. Moroki, from Singapore, which port she left on May 7th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.  
*Devaunge*, Chinese str., 1,023 tons, Capt. H. Ipland, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C43.—Chau Yue Teng.  
*Dukat*, Norwegian str., 781 tons, Capt. John Sorlie, from Bangkok, which port she left on May 6th, with a cargo of rice, lying at buoy No. C44.—Ching Seng.  
*Heng Chong*, Chinese str., 1,111 tons, Capt. M. Wikman, from Bangkok and Kolsichang. The latter port she left on May 7th, with a cargo of rice, lying at buoy No. C41.—Kwang Nguan Seng.  
*Linchow*, French str., 1,416 tons, Capt. P. B. Morganti, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C46.—Sing Kee.  
*Luchow*, British str., 1,291 tons, Capt. F. W. Potter, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B13.—B. & S.  
*New Mathilde*, British str., 849 tons, Capt. B. G. Rapley, from Haiphong and Hoibow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C15.—Yik Tai S.S. Co.  
*Soon Ann*, Chinese str., 738 tons, Capt. Kwok Fook, from Hoibow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C40.—Shun On S.S. Co.  
*Tjinaroen*, Dutch str., 4,394 tons, Capt. D. Pals, from Shanghai and Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A24.—J.C.I.L.  
*Fuki Maru*, Japanese str., 1,987 tons, Capt. S. Izumiya, from Dairen, which port she left on May 5th, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. B34.—M.B.K.  
 May 14th.  
*Anlee*, Chinese str., 72 tons, Capt. S. Sano, from Canton, with a cargo of beans, lying at buoy No. C18.—Ching Kee.  
*Bintang*, Danish str., 1,725 tons, Capt. V. L. Rolster, from Bangkok and Hoibow, with a cargo of rice, lying at buoy No. C16.—Lee Bing Kee.  
*Caravelas*, French str., 1,917 tons, Capt. Furet, from Saigon, which port she left on May 9th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B23.—M.M.  
*Daijuku Maru*, Japanese str., 2,287 tons, Capt. S. Kitamura, from Samarinda, which port she left on May 8th, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. B50.—M.B.K.  
*Goettingen*, German str., 3,397 tons, Capt. W. Luthken, from Taing-tao, which port she left on May 8th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A1.—Melchers & Co.  
*Hai Ning*, British str., 832 tons, Capt. W. G. Erwin, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at Douglas Wharf.—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.  
*Haiyang*, British str., 1,363 tons, Capt. J. S. Thomson, from Apia, which port she left on April 30th, with a general cargo, lying at Stonecutters.—Douglas S.S. Co.  
*Hung Sang*, British str., 1,358 tons, Capt. R. J. J. Sneddon, from Taing-tao, which port she left on May 6th, with a general cargo, lying at West Point Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
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Arrivals.  
 For s.s. *Hai Ning*, from Swatow, on May 14th:—Mr. and Mrs. Appleton, Capt. Meyer and Mrs. Macintosh.  
*Menado Maru*, Japanese str., 2,100 tons, Capt. S. Ama, from Hoibow, with 233 tons of general cargo, lying at O.S.K. Wharf.—O.S.K.  
*President Jefferson*, American str., 8,433 tons, Capt. A. O. Lustie, from Manila, which port she left on May 13th, with hemp and general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—A.M.L.  
*Shantung*, British str., 1,598 tons, Capt. W. T. Hodge, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B9.—B. & S.  
*Shunlee*, Chinese str., 949 tons, Capt. B. Miyakawa, from Canton, lying at Yumati.—Yue Tai Hong.  
*Teau*, British str., 1,351 tons, Capt. E. H. Misted, from Hoibow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B47.—B. & S.

### CLEARANCES.

May 14th.  
*Atika Maru*, for Moji.  
*Atto Maru*, for Shanghai.  
*Anlee*, for Santano.  
*Apocoy*, for Canton.  
*Ching Kung*, for Tourane.  
*Daviken*, for Swatow.  
*Devaunge*, for Hoibow.  
*Goettingen*, for Singapore.  
*Hung Sang*, for Canton.  
*Hurum Maru*, for Shanghai.  
*Hsin Wah*, for Amoy.  
*Hydrangea*, for Swatow.  
*Linchow*, for Hoibow.  
*Luchow*, for Swatow.  
*Ma Lee*, for Canton.  
*Maui*, for Canton.  
*Nanchang*, for Canton.  
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*Shantung*, for Amoy.  
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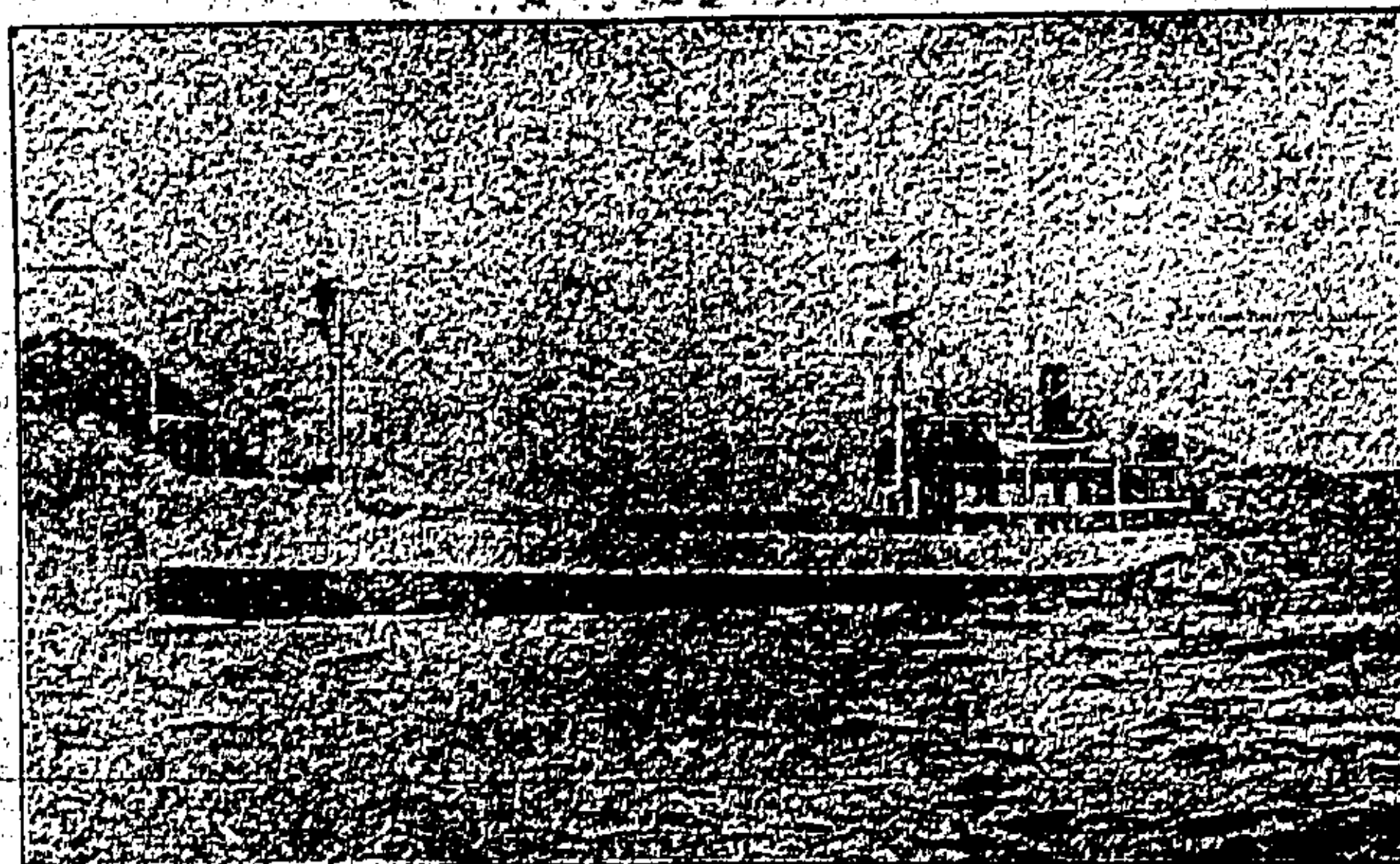
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OSAKA via AMOI, SHANGHAI & KOBE	"KUTSANG"	Fri., 15th May, at Noon
CANTON	"FOOSHING"	Wed., 16th May, at 5 p.m.
STRAITS & CALOUTTA	"YUENSANG" "YUOKSANG"	Tues., 15th May, at 3 p.m. Tues., 22nd May, at 3 p.m.
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